Records of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends from 2d. of Eleventh Month 1848 to 5th. of Second Month 1880 Inclusive.

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At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River 2nd of 11th month 1848.

We have received accounts from all our monthly meetings - the representatives therein named are, from Rhode Island Levi Chace John Mitchell and Henry Gould; Swansey Thomas Wilbur Miller Chace Philip Tripp & Stephen Hart. South Kingstown Thomas Foster and John Foster. Providence - Saml. B. Chace & Ruffin Chace whose names being called they are all present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting, and answers to the usual three received from all our monthly meetings -

Israel Ruffinton & Miller Chace are appointed a committee to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts, propose the name of a Friend for Treasurer and report to our next meeting.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 2nd Month 1st 1849.—

By account received from all our Monthly meetings it appears that the representatives therefrom are from Rhode Island Levi Chace George B. Carr and John Mitchell.— Swansey Palmer Chace Nathan Ruffenton, Oliver Chace and Amos C. Wilbur — Smithfield Othniel Foster and John Foster — Providence — Samuel B. Chace and Ruffum Chace; who are all present.—

Palmer Chace on behalf of the representatives informed that most of them had been together, and that they were united in proposing the names of Ethan Foster for Clerk and Harvey Chace for assistant Clerk to this meeting for the year ensuing, or until others may be appointed in their places; which being united by the Meeting they are accordingly appointed to that service.—

The Queries have been read in this Meeting and answers to the usual three received from all our Monthly Meetings.—

The Committee appointed to examine and settle the treasurers accounts report that they find in his hands a balance of seventy one dollars and forty three cents; and they propose Amos C. Wilbur for Treasurer, which being united with he is accordingly appointed to that service for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

This Meeting unites with South Kingstown Monthly Meeting, and with the womens Quarterly Meeting in approving the gift and public appearance in the min-istry of Phebe Foster. —

Received at this time the following extract from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting viz which is accepted and our monthly meetings are requested to forward to the Treasurer of this meeting their respective proportion of Stock.—

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River 1st. of 11th. month 1849—

We have received accounts from all our monthly meeting— the representatives their names are, from Rhode Island John Mitchell, Levi Chace and George W. Carr— Swansey William Slade Palmer Chace Philip Tripp & Nathan Buffinton— South Kingstown John Peckham and Thomas Foster— Providence John T Kenyon and George C. Kenyon, who are all present except one.

The Queries have been read in this meeting and answers to the first second and tenth received from all our Monthly meetings

South Kingstown Monthly meeting informs that they have directed their Treasurer to pay over to the Treasurer of this Meeting Ninety eight dollars their proportion of Stock.—

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 7th of 2d. Month 1850.

We have received accounts from all our Monthly Meetings - the representatives therein named are, from Rhode Island Thomas B. Gould John Mitchell and Levi Chace - Swansey, Palmer Chace, Isaac Fisk, Amos C. Wilbur and Israel Buffinton - South Kingstown - John Foster and Thomas Foster - Providence, Samuel B. Chace and John T. Kenyon, who are all present but one. -

The Clerk of this meeting being at this time absent Charles Peery is appointed Clerke for the day.

Our beloved Friend Nathan Page attended this meeting with a certificate from Salem Monthly Meeting of Friends held at ~~Lynn~~ 8th of 11th. Mo. 1849 stating that he is a minister in Unity; and expressive of their sympathy with his concern and visit to Friends and others within this and Sandwich Quarterly Meetings; and also in his appointing some meetings among those not in membership with Friends within the limits of the same, extending into the State of Connecticut - His company and religious services ~~have~~ have been acceptable to us.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting succeeded by answers to the first second & tenth from all our Monthly Meetings -

Swansey Monthly Meeting informs that their treasurer has been directed to pay to the Treasurer of this Meeting Fifty dollars as their proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 2nd of 5th Month 1850

By accounts received from all our monthly meetings it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting.- From Rhode Island Levi Chace John Mitchell and Thos. B. Gould Swansey- Stephen Hart Israel Buffenton Thos. Wilbur and Nathan Buffenton.- S. Kingstown John Foster and Samuel Hefield- Providence Harvey Chace and John T. Kinyon, who are all present.—

The representatives now in attendance have proposed to the Meeting that Ethan Foster be appointed its Clerk and that Harvey Chace be appointed assistant Clerk; which being united with they are accordingly appointed to those services for the year ensuing or until others are appointed in their places.—

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers from all our Monthly Meetings, from which we have compiled the following summary as descriptive of our present state which we forward to our next Yearly Meeting by our Friends John Wilbur, John Mitchell.—

Alvin Chace, Obed Potter Thomas B Gould
Thomas Wilbur Harvey Chace, John J. Kenyon Palmer
Chace and Charles Perry whom we appoint our
representatives. —

Rec'd at this time the following extract from
the minutes of Providence Mo. Meeting; whereupon we
appoint, Israel Buffington Thomas Wilbur, Thomas B.
Gould Palmer Chace, Charles Perry and Harvey Chace
a committee to take the subject into consideration and
report their judgement thereon at our next meeting

Rhode Island & Providence Monthly meetings
inform that they have directed their respective pro-
portions of stock to be paid over to the Treasurer of this
meeting and our Treasurer is directed to forward our
proportion of Yearly meeting stock to the Treasurer
of the Yearly Meeting. —

Our Beloved Friend Nathan Sage having concluded
his visit within the limits of this meeting to the sat-
isfaction of Friends, the clerk is directed to furnish
him with a copy of this minute together with that
made in relation to his attendance of our last meeting
at that time. —

The clerk of this meeting is directed to make
all necessary extracts from the minutes ~~of this meet-~~
~~ing~~ and forward the same to the Yearly Meeting
by our representatives. —

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport the 1st of 8th mo 18

By accounts received from our Mo. Mtg. it appears that the following Friends are appointed representatives to this Meeting viz. from R. Island Henry Gould, John Mitchell & Levi Chace — Swansey, Amos C. Wilbur, Palmer Chace Philip Tripp & Nathan Buffinton — South Kingston Ethan Foster, Othniel Foster and John Peckham — Providence Samuel B. Chace and Buffum Chace who are all present except one. —

The Clerk of this Meeting being absent Tho. Wilbur is appointed Clerk for the day. —

The Queries have been read at this time & the first, second & tenth succeeded by answers from our Monthly Meetings, as describing their several states. —

John Wilbur one of the representatives appointed to attend our late Yearly Meetg. informs that they all attended to their appointment, and produced to this meeting the following extract from the minutes of said Yearly Meeting. (———) which has been read & accepted by this meeting, and the Clerk is

directed to furnish our monthly meetings with copies thereof, with a request that they will forward to our Treasurer their respective proportions of the sum therein called for. ==

Our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Yearly Meetings Treasurer the sum of £120. as called for by their minute. —

The committee appointed 5th 1 mo. last, pertaining to the boundary line between South Kingston & Providence Mo. Meetings presented the following report (———) which has been read and accepted, and the line as therein recommended, viz. "commencing at that point on Narragansett Bay, where the boundary of Washington & Kent Counties intersect said Bay, thence running a due west course to the western limits of New-England Yearly Meeting," is hereby established, and the Boundary between the Monthly Meetings of South Kingston & Providence, having the unity of the two meetings herein, & our Clerk is directed to furnish said two Meetings with a copy of this minute. —

Thos. W. Dorr Clerk for the day

[illegible] Rhode Island Yearly Meeting
held at Salt River 7th 11th Month 1856

In accordance with the Rules of Discipline it appears that the following Friends are appointed representatives to this Meeting.— From Rhode Island, Seve Chace, John Mitchell & Jonathan Gifford — Dwansey, Oliver Chace, Palmer Chace, Moses Buffington & Nathan Buffington, South Kingstown, John Wilbur, Thomas Foster & Othniel Foster; Providence Warren Chace and John S. Kenyon; whose names being called they are all present except one.—

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers to the usual three yearly and our monthly meetings as described of their several states —

Ethan Foster Clerk

[illegible] Jurors [illegible]
[illegible] Insurance 6th of 2d Mo
Court 1851

[illegible] according to [illegible]
[illegible] meeting & appointed
[illegible] as the appointed [illegible] this
[illegible] Jurors [illegible] John Mitchell,
Thomas B. Foster, [illegible] Christopher Thomas, Nathan
Sharpless, Isaac Pike, Philip Sharp, Jun.
Ivy Pilson - Martha Kingston John Foster and John
Pickham, Provided James B. Chace and Ivy Pilson
Chace, who are all present except two, neither
of whom a satisfactory excuse has assigned,

The Jurors have met and in this
meeting with reference to the first second and
tenth Fourth Day Monthly meetings in
discipline of this respective Sides, —

Ethan Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 1st of 5th mo. 1851.

By the accounts from our monthly meetings it appears that the following Friends were appointed as representatives to this meeting, viz. from R. Island, John Mitchell, Thos. B. Gould & Levi Chace, — from Swansey, Palmer Chace, Oliver Chace, Israel Buffinton & Philip Tripp — from South Kingston, John Foster and Othniel Foster, from Providence Saml. B. Chace, Jeremiah Foster & Buffinton Chace, who are all present except one. — —

The clerk of this meeting being absent Thos. Wilbur is appointed to that service for the present time. ——

The Queries have been read and answers thereto as presented by our several monthly meetings, from which summary answers have been compiled as describing our present state, which the clerk is directed to forward together with the account, & all other necessary papers to our next yearly meeting by Oliver Chace, John Wilbur, John Mitchell, Harvey Chace, Palmer Chace, Othniel Foster, Thos. B. Gould and John T. Kenyon whom we appoint our representatives to that meeting. —

We have at this time the company of our Esteemed friend Mary Macy, with a certificate

of concurrence from Nantucket Monthly Meeting, expressive of their unity with her as a minister and also of her present religious engagements to the families and Meetings within the limits of our Yearly Meeting,— her company and Gospel labours have been comforting and edifying to us.—

We have also the company of our esteemed friends Benjamin and Rachael Gardner, as companions to our friend Mary Macy with the requisite certificate from Nantucket Mo. Meeting on their behalf. — their company and services are also acceptable to us. ——

Thos. Webb Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport 7th of eighth month 1851.

By the accounts from our Monthly Meetings it appears the following Friends were appointed representatives to this Meeting – from Rhode Island Henry Gould, Lewis Chace and John Mitchell – from Swansey Miller Chace, Israel Buffinton and Thomas Wilbur from South Kingstown, Thomas Foster and John Peckham, and from Providence John J. Kenyon & Harvey Chace, who are all present.

Thomas Wilbur informed the meeting on behalf of the representatives that they had been together and were united in proposing Charles Peary for clerk, and Harvey Chace for assistant clerk of this meeting, which proposition having been approved by the meeting they are accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting, succeeded by answers to the First Second and Tenth from all our Monthly Meetings.

One of the representatives from this to our last Yearly Meeting, reports that they all attended.

The following extract from the minutes of our

our Yearly Meeting has been received at this time viz -
_____ and our Monthly Meetings
are requested to forward their respective proportions of One
hundred & twenty five dollars to our Treasurer the sum agreed to be
raised for the use of this meeting this year; and the Clerk
is directed to furnish them each with a copy of this
minute.

Charles Peery Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at Fall River 6th of 11th Month 1851;

We have received accounts from all our
Monthly Meetings, by which it appears that the
following named Friends were appointed representatives
to this Meeting - from Rhode Island Thomas B. Gould
and John Stitchell from Swanzey Stephen Chace
Thomas Wilbur and Nathan Ruffinton - from
South Kingstown Othniel Foster and John Peckham
and from Providence George C. Kenyon & Samuel
B. Chace whose names being called they are
all present.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting
with answers to the First second & tenth from
all our Monthly Meetings as discipline of
this several states.

Charles Peery Clerk.

...t Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at North Providence 5th of 2d Month 1882,

Accounts are received from all our Monthly
Meetings, by which it appears they have appointed
the following named Friends representatives to
this Meeting - from Rhode Island Levi Chace
and Thomas B. Gould from Swanzey Isaac
Pike Nathan Buffington Thomas Wilbur and
Philip Tripp, from South Kingstown John Foster
and John Peckham, and from Providence John
Foster and Samuel B. Chace whose names being called
they are all present except one for whose absence
a satisfactory reason is given. —

The Queries have been read in this Meeting,
succeeded by answers to the First, Second and
Tenth from all our Monthly Meetings as descriptive
of this State.

Swanzey Monthly Meeting inform that they have
directed their Treasurer to pay to ours the sum
of Fifty Dollars as their proportion of Quarterly
Meetings Stock.

Our beloved Friend John Wilbur opened in
this Meeting a prospect which has rested on his
mind to visit in the love of the Gospel the
religious Meetings of Friends in some pa...

of Pennsylvania and New Jersey as expressed in the ~~with~~ certificate of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting forwarded to us with the Account from that Meeting; - after a time of deliberation thereon in which much sympathy was felt and expressed with this concern, the Meeting unites with his prospect and he is left at liberty to proceed therein as Truth may open the way, he being a minister in unity with us; and the Clerk is directed to sign this Minute and furnish him with a copy thereof.

Israel Buffinton Thomas P. Gould Harvey Chace and Charles Peny are appointed to see that our Friend John Wilbur is provided with suitable company & accommodations for his journey.

Charles Peny Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 6th of 5th Month 1832

Accounts are received from all our Monthly Meetings by which it appears they have appointed the following named Friends as representatives to this Meeting - from Rhode Island Levi Chace and Thomas R. Gould, from Swanzey Israel Buffinton Amos C. Wilbur and William Wood from South Kingstown John Foster and Thomas Foster and from Providence John T. Kenyon and John Foster - whose names being called they are all present -

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with answers thereto from our several Monthly Meetings, from which we have compiled the following summary answers as description of our present State which the Clerk is directed to forward ~~with the accounts~~ together with any other necessary extracts from our minutes, to our next Yearly Meeting by our Friends John Wilbur, Henry Gould, Othniel Foster John Mitchell, Miller Chace, Nathan Buffinton Harvey Chace John Foster of Warwick and Israel Buffinton whom we appoint our representatives to that Meeting

Our beloved friend John Wilbur has at this time returned the certificate which was furnished him at our last Quarterly Meeting ~~for Canada~~

with information that he has been enabled to accomplish the visit then contemplated to Friends in some part of Pennsylvania and New Jersey to the peace & satisfaction of his own mind, & also that he attended the Yearly Meeting of Friends held at Philadelphia in the Fourth Month.

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting inform that they have directed their Treasurer to pay over their usual proportion of Quarterly Meetings Stock; and Providence Monthly also inform that they have directed Fifty dollars to be paid to our Treasurer on their like account. South Kingstown Monthly Meetings proportion is also paid. ~~to the Treasurer~~.

Our Treasurer is directed to pay our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting.

Edward Peace Clerk

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At the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England held at Newport on Rhode Island by adjournments from the 13th of 6th mo to the 16th of the same inclusive 1852.

3d day of the week & 15th of the month.

The committee appointed at our first sitting to examine and settle the Treasurer's accounts, consider of a sum suitable for the meeting to raise, and to propose a Treasurer have produced the following report.— Which is satisfactorily and Isaac Buffinton is accordingly appointed Treasurer for the year ensuing; and our several Quarterly Meetings are requested to forward to him their respective proportion of Three hundred dollars; the sum agreed upon.

Rhode Island Quarterly Meetings proportion being 40 per cent is one hundred and twenty dollars

1st of the week and 15th of the month.

The joint committee of men and women friends, to whom was refered the situation of such of the members of this meeting as maintain their adherence to the doctrines & testimonies of our religious society, within the limits of Smithfield, Falmouth, Wallaborough & Fairfield Quarterly meetings have produced the following minute.

In a view of the difficulties, and embarrassments under which divers friends labour, in consequence of the general defection in Principle and insubordination in Practice of Falmouth Smithfield, Wallaborough, and Fairfield, Quarterly meetings it is the conclusion of this meeting, that when cases occur friends who have manifested a sincere attachment to

ancient Principles and Testimonies, removing to live within
the limits of any monthly meeting which is held
within Rhode Island, Salem &c., or Sandwich Quarterly
meetings, and make application to be received as
members. It is agreed that such monthly meetings
be left at liberty to receive them, and that they be con-
sidered as members thereof, according to the judgment of
such meeting, and upon its receiving satisfactory evidence
of their being in unity with Friends & orderly life & con-
versation & of having settled their outward affairs.

And in case of their being in necessitous circumstances
when such application is made, or of their requiring pecuniary
assistance afterwards, and within the time already prescribed
by the Discipline, with regard to the obtaining of settlements, they
not having contributed to the funds of the meeting within
the limits of which they reside. It is advised, that
such Friends should receive timely and needful assistance,
from their respective monthly meetings, who are requested
(if the matter should prove burdensome to them) to forward
their accounts to the meeting for sufferings, which having
approved the same, the expence is to be defrayed by a
draft on the Treasurer of this meeting.

Which being read and weightily and deliberately
considered, is approved & directed to be recorded.

And the subject of such of them as do not remove, as
well as of those Friends who reside within the limits of the
two Quarterly meetings which report their state to us
and who are not within the acknowledged limits of any
settled monthly meeting, claiming our consideration

1850

the sense and judgment of this meeting [illegible]
[illegible] rules & regulations, may be [illegible] under the [illegible]
[illegible] best wisdom to the relief & [illegible] found a [illegible]
[illegible] friends, as may continue to reside within the limits [illegible]
[illegible] our delinquent Quarterly Meetings which have been [illegible]
[illegible], as well as to such as are members of the three Quarterly
[illegible]ings, which are still duly represented in this meeting but [illegible]
may reside within the limits of any monthly meeting in
either of these Quarters, which has not been sustained in
[illegible]ination to us, by reason of the great defection in principle,
[illegible] the prevalent unsoundness in doctrine existing among the
members of such monthly meetings generally.

The Friends appointed yesterday morning to
unite with a committee from the Women's meeting
to consider the subject & if way opened for it, prepare a
way of a communication to our subordinate meetings
and the members thereof; embracing some of the exercises
of the meeting, and such counsel & advice as might
appear best, have reported the following. Which having
been read & solidly considered is approved & the clerk
is directed to sign it on our behalf.

Extracted from the minutes & signed by direction and
in behalf of the meeting, by. Isaac Mitchell Clerk
to this Meeting this year

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport 5th of 8th mo. 1852

Accounts are received from all our Monthly Meetings by which it appears they have appointed the following named Friends representatives to this Meeting, from Rhode Island, Henry Gould, George W. Carr and Levi Chace, Swanzey, Miller Chace, Moses B. Buffinton, Thomas Willcox & Israel Buffinton, South Kingstown, John Foster, John Peckham and Ethniel Worth, Providence George C. Kenyon and Samuel B. Chace, who being called they are all present except one,— For his absence a satisfactory reason is given.

The clerk of this meeting being absent, Samuel B. Chace is appointed clerk for the day.

The Queries have all been read, succeeded by answers to the first second & tenth from all our Monthly Meetings as descriptive of their state.

The representatives appointed to attend our late Yearly Meeting report that they all attended.

The following extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting have been received and read at this time, namely — — — — — — and the Clerk is requested to transcribe and forward such portions as are necessary to our Monthly Meetings.

We have also received a printed ~~[illegible]~~ Epistle, from the same Meeting directed to the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings, & individual members thereof which has likewise been read in this Meeting to our satisfaction.

Our Monthly meetings are requested to forward to the Treasurer of this Meeting their respective proportions of One hundred & fifty Dollars the sum agreed to be raised for the use of this Meeting this year and the Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this Minute to the several monthly Meetings

Samuel B. Chace Clerk
for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River 4th of 11th Mo. 1852,

Accounts have been received from our several Monthly Meetings, by which it appears they have appointed the following Friends to attend this Meeting as representatives namely - From Rhode Island Levi Chace, John Mitchell and Henry Gould from Swanzey William Wood, Isaac Pike Philip Tripp and Stilder Chace, from South Kingstown Samuel Shuffield Othniel Foster and Ethan Foster and from Providence Gorge C. Kenyon and Samuel B Chace whose names being called, they are all present but one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason has been given.

The time for which the Clerks of this Meeting were appointed having expired it was proposed to reappoint the same Friends for the year ensuing, which was united with, and accordingly Charles Peny was continued as Clerk and Harvey Chace as Assistant Clerk for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

The Queries have been read at this time answered by answers to the First Second & Tenth from all our Monthly Meetings, as descriptive of this Yearly State.

Swanzey Monthly Meeting informs that they

have directed their Treasurer to pay to ours their quota of Stock, as requested by minute of this Meeting.

Charles Peery Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Grant's Providence 3d. of 2d. Month 1853,

Accounts have been received from our several Monthly Meetings, by which it appears they have appointed the following Friends representatives to this Meeting viz, from Rhode Island Thomas B. Gould & Levi Chace, from Smithfield Jonas Buffington, William Wood, Nathan Buffington & Jonas C. Wilbur, from South Kingstown John Wilbur and Thomas Peery, and from Providence Buffington Chace & Samuel B. Chace, whose names being called, they are all present but one).

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with answers to the First Second & Tenth from our Monthly Meetings descriptive of their State.

Our beloved Friend John Wilbur a minister in Rhode Island and good esteem with us opened in this Meeting a prospect which has for a considerable time attended his mind of making a visit in the love of the Gospel to Friends and others in some parts of the State of New York, and also if way opens for it

it seems within the limits of Pennsylvania and New Jersey, and to appoint some meetings among Friends & others in those parts as expressed in a minute from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting dated 24th of 1st Month last liberating him to this service. — After a time of deliberation thereon we unite with him in his concern, and he is left at liberty to attend to this weighty engagement as Truth may open the way; and the Clerk is directed to make this endorsement on the minute of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting and sign it on our behalf; having the unity of the Womens meeting herein.

Israel Ruffinton, Charles Penn & Harvey Chace are appointed to take the necessary care that our Friend John Willets is provided with suitable company and accommodations for his proposed visit. ——

Charles Penn Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 5th & 5th Month 1853.

Returns are received from all our Monthly Meetings by which it appears they have appointed the following named Friends Representatives to this Meeting, — From Rhode Island Levi Chace & Thomas B. Gould; from Swanzey, Philip Tripp, Thomas Wilbur, Nathan Buffinton and Amos C. Wilbur; from South Kingstown, John Foster & Robert Peckham; and from Providence Stanton Chace & George C. Kenyon; whose names being called, they are present except three, for the absence of two of whom satisfactory reasons were given.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with answers thereto from all our Monthly Meetings from which we have compiled a Summary as descriptive of our present State, which we forward with an account to our Yearly Meeting next to be held in Rhode Island by John Wilbur, Obadiah Brown, Thomas B. Gould, Israel Buffinton, Allen Chace, George C. Kenyon, Levi Chace and Stanton Chace whom we appoint our representatives.

Rhode Island, South Kingstown & Providence Monthly Meetings inform that they have directed their Treasurers to pay to ours their respective Proportions of Stock, and Swanzey that their

proportion has been so paid. — — Our Treasurer is directed to pay our Quota of Yearly Meeting Stock to the treasurer of that Meeting.

Our beloved Friend John Wilbur at this time returned the minute granted him by this Meeting in Second Month last liberating him to pay a religious visit to Friends and others ~~within~~ in some parts of New York Pennsylvania & New Jersey with information that the Service has been accomplished to the peace and satisfaction of his own mind; a sense and measure of which was also felt by the Meeting.

Our beloved Friend John Wilbur having opened in this Meeting a prospect of visiting in the love of the Gospel Friends and others in some parts of Great Britain and Ireland, as exercised in the Certificate of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting, dated 25th of Fourth Month last, which was produced and read, — After a time of serious and deliberate consideration very near sympathy and full unity with him in this important engagement were felt and expressed and he is left at liberty, and encouraged to proceed therein as truth may open the way; and the Clerk is directed to endorse this minute upon the Certificate aforesaid and sign it on our behalf, leaving the unity of the Women's Meeting herein.

Charles Peace Clerk.

A Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport on the 4th of 8th mo. 1853.

We have received accounts from Rhode Island (South Kingstown and Providence) Monthly Meetings, by which it appears they have appointed the following named Friends representatives to this meeting - From Rhode Island Henry Gould, George W. Carr and Levi Chace, from South Kingstown John Worth and Charles Perry, and from Providence Harvey Chace and George C. Kenyon, whose names being called they are all present.

The account from Swanzey Monthly Meeting through a misapprehension on the part of the Clerk of that meeting that it had been forwarded, has not been received at this time. —

The Queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the first second and tenth from Rhode Island, South Kingstown and Providence Monthly Meetings.

One of the representatives appointed in the 5th Month to attend our last Yearly Meeting reports that they all attended; and this

following extract from the minutes of the meeting
having been produced and read, namely

"At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for ye
"England held at Newport on Rhode Island by
"adjournments from the 12th of 6th month to the
"16th of the same inclusive 1753,

"Third day of the week and 14th of the month

"The committee appointed yesterday morning to
"examine and settle the Treasurers account and
"to propose a Treasurer, have made the following
"report viz, ——— which is united with, and
"Israel Pemberton is accordingly appointed
"Treasurer for the ensuing year and our
"several Quarterly Meetings are requested to
"forward to him their respective proportions
"of Four hundred dollars, the sum agreed
"upon; and the Clerk is directed to furnish
"them with a copy of this minute."

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting's proportion being forty percent is One hundred and sixty dollars.

"Extracted from the minutes by
Peleg Mitchell Clerk to
the Meeting this year"

we conclude to appoint the following Friends a committee to examine and settle the Treasurers account & name a sum suitable for this meeting to raise for the ensuing year, and to propose a Treasurer,

namely. John T. Kenyon, Levi Chace, & Nathan
Buffington and John Foster - and they are
requested to report at our next meeting.

Charles Perry Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River on the 3rd of Eleventh month 1853.

Accounts are received from all our Monthly Meetings from which it appears they have appointed the following named Friends as representatives to this Meeting - From Rhode Island - Henry Gould & Lewis Chace, from Swanzey William Wood, Edward Buffington and Isaac Fisher, from South Kingstown, John Hoxie and Thomas Worth, and from Providence Harvey Chace and George C. Kenyon - whose names being called they are all present.

It having been proposed to reappoint Chace, Perry Clerk and Harvey Chace Assistant Clerk of this Meeting, the proposition was united with and they are accordingly continued for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers from all our Monthly Meetings to the First Second and Tenth.

The Committee appointed in the Eight month last to examine and settle the Treasurers account and for other purposes produced the following report.

"To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting.

Dear Friends

The Committee appointed to settle the

Treasurer account and for other purposes;
report that they have attended to that service
and find a balance due the Treasurer of
Forty eight dollars & nineteen cents and pro-
pose Amos C. Willcox for Treasurer and that the
sum of Two hundred & fifty dollars be raised
for the use of this Meeting the present year.

Fall River 11th mo. 3. 1853.

Nathan Buffinton
John Foster
John T. Kenyon
Levi Chace

which is accepted, and Amos C. Willcox
is accordingly appointed Treasurer of this Meeting
for the Year ensuing or until another appointment
and our several Monthly Meetings are requested
to forward to him their respective proportions of
Two hundred & fifty Dollars, the sum agreed
to be raised, and the Clerk is directed to furnish
each of them with a copy of this minute.

Charles Perry Clerk.

At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 2d. Mo. 2d. 1854.

We have received accounts from all our Monthly Meetings, from which it appears they have appointed the following Friends representatives to this meeting, namely, from Rhode Island, Henry Gould & Levi Chase from Swanzey, William Wood, Thomas Wilbur, Philip Tripp & Israel Buffinton, from South Kingstown John Foster and Charles Peirce and from Providence Samuel B. Chace & John Foster, whose names being called they are all present but one.

Our beloved Friend Chase Buffinton attended this Meeting, (having previously attended the Meetings composing it) with a certificate of commitment from Starksboro' Monthly Meeting of Friends in Vermont dated 4th. of 11th. Month 1853 expressive of their unity with him as a minister, and in his prospect of performing a religious visit to Friends & some others within the limits of our Yearly Meeting, with the endorsement of Farmington Quarterly Meeting also uniting therein; — his company and Gospel labors have been very acceptable to us, and the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this Minute.

Swanzey Monthly Meeting inform that they have directed their Treasurer to pay to ours Eighty five dollars on their proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting, with answers to the first, second and tenth from all our Monthly Meetings.

Edward Peay Clerk

of R. Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 4th of Eighth month 1854.

We have received accounts from all our Monthly Meetings from which it appears that have appointed the following named Friends as representatives to the Quarterly Meeting from Rhode Island Thomas B. Gould George Watson and Levi Chace, from Smithfield Daniel Buffington William Read and Edward Mitchell from South Kingstown Joel Peckham and John Hall and from Providence George C. Harrison and Samuel Hart whose names being called they are all present except two.

Rhode Island, South Kingstown & Providence Monthly Meetings inform that they have raised [redacted] Their several proportions of Quarterly Meeting Stock to be paid to our Treasurer.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting and answers thereto given from all our Monthly Meetings, and we have compiled a Summary thereof which we believe is descriptive of our present state, and which we forward with an account to our Yearly Meeting to be held in Rhode Island by our friends Joel Peckham, Thomas B. Gould Othniel Read William Read, John C. Harrison, Miller Chace, Levi Chace

Henry Clark and John Peele who are appointed our representatives to attend that Meeting.

Our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting One hundred & Sixty dollars on account of proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock.

Our beloved friend John Wilbur at this time returned the certificate of commendation granted him in the Fifth Mo. last by this Meeting on account of his prospect of a religious visit to Friends & others in some parts of Great Britain and Ireland - with the information that he had been enabled to perform the service required of him in those countries, and although many trials and much suffering fell to his lot in the fulfilment thereof; yet that Divine Help was graciously afforded him in this weighty engagement to the humbling admiration; and on his return home has been favored with the precious reward of peace. He also produced testimonials from several Friends in different parts of Great Britain of their unity & fellowship with him in this arduous & trying service, which have been read to our satisfaction.

Edwd Pearce, Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport
5th of 8th Month 1854;

Accounts are received from all our Monthly Meetings
by which it appears they have appointed the following
named Friends representatives to this Meeting - From
Rhode Island, Henry Gould, George W. Carr and Levi
Chace; from Swanzey, Thomas Wilbur, Miller Chace
and Israel Buffinton; from South Kingstown, Chas.
Penn and Othniel Poslin, and from Providence, George
C. Kenyon and John J. Kenyon, whose names being
called they are all present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded
by answers to the First, Second & Tenth, from all
our Monthly Meetings.

One of the Representatives appointed to attend our last
Yearly Meeting, reports that they all attended, and the follow-
-ing extracts from the minutes of the Yearly Meeting were pro-
-duced and read; namely,

"At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England
"held at Newport on Rhode Island by adjournments
"from the 11th of 6th Mo. 1854 to the 14th of the same inclu-
"sive."

"Third day of the week & 13th of the month"

"A Committee appointed to examine and settle the

"the Treasurers account and for other purposes have
"made the following report;— which was read and
"approved and Daniel Buffinton was accordingly appointed
"Treasurer of this Meeting for the ensuing year, and
"our several Quarterly Meetings are requested to forward
"to him their respective proportions of Three hundred
"Dollars: (the sum agreed upon) Rhode Island Quarterly
Meetings proportion being 40 per cent is One hundred &
twenty dollars.

"Fourth day of the week 11th of the Month

"The Committee appointed at a previous sitting to
"consider the subject of extending the minute of 1852.
"have recommended to the Yearly Meeting the adoption
"of the following, which having been read was approved
"the womens meeting uniting therein.

(Minute) "It is the sense and judgment of this
"Meeting that so much of the minute adopted in the
"year 1852 as relates to removals, be extended and
"its benefits applied to such sound and consistent
"Friends as may remove into any Monthly Meeting
"which is a branch of either Rhode Island, Salem & Dover
"or Sandwich Quarterly Meetings, from within the limits
"of any other Yearly Meeting, on their making application
"to such Monthly Meeting, and producing such evidence
"of their right of membership, and the settlement of
"their outward affairs, as is required in said minute.

"Extracted from the minutes & signed by
"direction and on behalf of the Yearly Meeting by
Peleg Mitchell Clerk this year.

when upon we appoint our friends Levi Chace, Willet Chace, Charles Peery and Harvey Chace to examine & settle the Treasurers account consider of a sum suitable to be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year, and to propose a Manner and report at our next meeting.

The Clerk is directed to furnish each of our Monthly Meetings with a copy of the ~~extract from~~ "Minute" of the Yearly Meeting relating to removals - to be placed on their records.

Our beloved Friend Thomas B. Gould having in a weighty manner opened in this Meeting a prospect which has long attended his mind to visit in the love of the Gospel the Meetings of Friends in some parts of New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Ohio Yearly Meetings & if way should open for it to attend the approaching Yearly Meeting of Ohio, and also to appoint some meetings among those not of our Society, as opened in the Certificate granted him by Rhode Island Monthly Meeting, dated 29th of 7th Month last, - after a time of solid deliberation thereon full unity and near sympathy with him in this religious engagement were felt and expressed, and he was at liberty and encouraged to pursue his prospect as Truth may open the way, he being a friend well approved amongst us, and his life and conversation and his ministry sound and edifying. The Clerk is directed to make this endorsement upon the Certificate of Rhode Island Monthly Meeting and sign it on behalf of this Meeting.

We appoint Levi Chace, Daniel Buffington, Harvey

there and Thomas Willcox to take the necessary care that our friend Thomas B. Gould have suitable Company and accommodations for his contemplated journey.

Charles Peary Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River 2d of Eleventh month 1854;

Accounts are received from all our Monthly Meetings from which it appears they have appointed the following named Friends to attend this Meeting as representatives — From Rhode Island Thomas B. Gould, Levi Chase and George M. Carr — from Swansey Thomas Wilcox, Philip Tripp and Stephen Hart — from South Kingstown Obed Tourtellot & Ethan Foster, and from Providence Harvey Chace & John Foster, whose names being called they are all present except one.

One of the representatives reported that most of them had been together and were united in proposing Charles Peary for Clerk and Harvey Chace for assistant Clerk; which proposition is approved and they are accordingly appointed for the year ensuing, or until

Rhode Island and Providence Monthly Meeting acknowledges the receipt of an Extract from the Minutes of this Meeting embracing the proceedings of the Yearly Meeting for record.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting answered by answers from all our Monthly Meetings to the first second and tenth.

The Committee appointed at our last Meeting to examine and audit the Treasurers account and for other purposes not being ready to report they are continued and requested to report to our next Meeting.

Charles Penn Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Portsmouth, R. I. the 2nd month 1st 1855.

By the minutes received from our several Monthly Meetings it appears that the representatives to this Meeting are from Rhode Island, Isaac C. Thomas, Thomas H. Gould from Swansey, Mass, Caleb Milton, Isaac Peckham and Daniel Buffington from South Kingston, Obed Tucker and Charles Cole from Providence, Samuel B. Chase from Journal Post, - whose names being called they are all present but one.

Our Quarterly Meeting Committee attended this service and forwarded a copy of a minute from Sandy Monthly Meeting of Friends expressing unity with us, and with the concern to attend our Quarterly Meeting and some of the meetings within its limits & also, some within the limits of the Yearly Meeting of Baltimore & Ohio at this time some meetings among Friends in Virginia. His company's gospel labors have been acceptable and satisfactory to us.

The minutes were read in this meeting and the first second and fourth days of the week from all our monthly meetings.

The committee appointed to examine & settle the Treasurers accounts for the past year, produced the following Report ____ which is accepted & approved and

[illegible] according to the rules [illegible]
ensuing year or until another appointment; and one
several Monthly Meetings are requested to pay their
respective proportions of the hundred dollars thus
agreed to be raised — and the Clerk is directed to furnish them
with a copy of this Minute.

Clerk's Copy

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at East Greenwich on the 5th of 5th Month 1830;

Friends are received from all our Monthly Meetings
in which it appears they have appointed the following
named Friends representatives to this meeting — from
Rhode Island Thomas B. Gould & Levi Chase from
Swansey Abram Luffkin Isaac Pike and William
Wood, from South Kingstown Job Tefft and John
Peckham, and from Providence Moses Brown and
George C. Kenyon whose names being called they were
all present.

Our Quarterly Meetings in the Island
directed this Yearly Meeting's Treasurer to receive
Proceeds of Quarterly Meeting Stocks,

The Queries have been read in this meeting, and

forwarded by minutes from all our Monthly Meetings, from which the following summary has been compiled and it is to that it is necessary with our [illegible] and that it should there be united with an account to our Yearly Meeting next to be held on Third day by our Friends William Hill, John Dillon, Thomas B. Gould, Hannah Chace, Isaac Lapham & Caleb Lee Close and Jeremiah Brownell we have appointed their representatives.

Our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting our proportion of Yearly Meetings Stock.

Extract from the
The following minutes from our Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, ~~has been held at this place 2nd 5th mo~~ has been received and read in this meeting, and the Clerk is directed to forward the same to the Yearly Meeting with the account.

"Extract from the minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of Ministers
"and Elders held at East Greenwich 2nd of 5th Mo. 1855."

"Appending that concern in respect to what would result from this meeting
"commencing at the third hour in the afternoon of the day previous to the gen-
"eral Quarterly Meeting, when it is held at East Greenwich, instead of the eleventh hour
"in the morning as it has been - such alteration was at our present meeting
"in unanimity of the Yearly Meeting that this change in the time of holding it
"would make, and the Clerk is directed to furnish the Quarterly Meeting
"with a copy of this minute."

"Thomas B. Gould Clerk for the day"

of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Stonington 2nd of 5th Month 1853.

We have received accounts from all our Monthly Meetings and the following Friends are here present as representatives to this meeting; From Rhode Island, Ruth Gould, Levi Chace & George W. Carr from Swanzey, William Hill, Israel Buffington & Silas Chace, from South Kingstown, Othniel Barber & Charles Penn, and from Providence Danl Chace & George C. Kenyon - whose names being called they are all present.

Our beloved Friend Chase Pennington attended this Meeting and produced a minute from Stonington Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Lincoln the 30th of 3d month last, certifying that he is a minister in unity with them & of precious of their unity with his present religious engagement; with an endorsement from Ferrisburg Quarterly Meeting dated 9th of 5th Month last concurring therewith. His company and gospel labors are very acceptable to us.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers to the First second & tenth from all our Monthly Meetings.

The representatives appointed in the 5th Month last

to attend the Yearly Meeting, report that they all attended except one who was prevented by sickness in his family. They also produced the following extract from the minutes of the Yearly Meeting which has been read in this meeting to their edification & comfort, & the Clerk is directed to furnish each of our Monthly Meetings with a copy thereof.

"At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England "held at Newport on Rhode Island by adjournments "from the 10th of the 6th Month to the 13th of the same "inclusive 1855.

"4th day of the week & 13th of the Month.

"The meeting was deeply exercised under a prin- "ful sense of the many weaknesses & deficiencies "existing within our borders, and the truly living "and rightly exercised members were brought to feel "that there is still much among us that calls for "close searching of heart."

"Powerful and living testimonies were borne "to the necessity there is for some making progression "with us, to arise and shake themselves as from the "dust of the earth - to watch unto prayer, that so "they may be preserved from the many snares of the "Enemy with which we are continually surrounded "and come more fully to realize the necessity of keeping "a single eye unto Him who hath called us with "an high and holy calling, & who as we look unto "him for ability and strength, will enable us to overcome "the world, to resist the many temptations of the "adversary, and finally as patience is abode in, "make us more than conquerors through Him."

"We have indeed been made clearly to realize that the mercies
"of the Lord have been largely extended unto us — a people
"whom he had designed for his praise & to exalt his
"standard of Truth and righteousness in the earth, and
"for whom war has been made that they might grow &
"flourish even as plants of his own right hand planting;
"but some of whom through unwatchfulness & indifference
"have suffered themselves to be drawn aside from the
"right way, thereby bringing reproach upon the blessed
"cause of Truth, and mourning over the spirits of the
"living & rightly exercised members, so that some of
"these have been ready to exclaim 'It is of the Lords
"mercies that we are not consumed, because his com-
"passions fail not.' And the language of the spirit
"unto the churches hath seemed to be 'What could have
"been done more in my vineyard that I have not
"done in it? Wherefore, when I looked that it should
"bring forth grapes, brought it forth wild grapes?'"

"Friends were feelingly exhorted to be more faithful
"in the maintenance of our christian testimonies, that
"by an humble & consistent walking in all things, they
"might witness a growth in grace, and in the knowledge
"of the Truth. They were earnestly reminded of the
"importance of a diligent attendance of all our meetings
"for religious worship and discipline and encouraged
"to greater faithfulness therein. 'Not neglecting the assem-
"bling ourselves together as the manner of some is, but
"exhorting one another.'"

"Much weighty counsel and affectionate advice was laid
"forth in view of the many deficiencies observable, as
"in the answer to the query in regard to sitting in our
"religious meetings, and the mournful language
"of our blessed Lord to Peter in the garden of Gethse-
"mane was feelingly admitted to 'What! could ye
"not watch with me one hour?' 'Watch and pray
"that ye enter not into temptation!' And living de-
"sires were raised and expressed that all our mem-
"bers whether present or absent, who have thus brought
"sorrow upon the Church, might seek for help to
"overcome this prevalent weakness that by continued
"watchfulness the designs of the enemy may be defeated,
"and we may become more firmly built up and
"established on the alone sure foundation. And
"that all might be made willing to search Jerusalem
"as with a lighted candle, that everything that can
"hurt or lay waste may be removed from
"amongst us, and our lights be made so to shine
"amongst men, that others seeing our good works
"may come to glorify our Father who is in Heaven."

"Extracted from the minutes and signed by
direction and on behalf of the meeting by

Peleg Mitchell Clerk this year"

The following additional extracts from the minutes of the Yearly Meeting have also been selected and read, Namely,

A Quarterly Meeting of Friends for New Ireland held at Newport on Rhode Island by adjournments from the 10th of 6th mo to the 13th of the same inclusive 1853.

2d day of the week 11th of the month

A proposition was introduced to the meeting to change the time of holding the Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders of Rhode Island, which was considered in the following words, as expressed in the following extract from the minutes of that meeting contained in the account from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting

Viz It being believed that convenience and expediency would result from this meetings commencing at the third hour in the afternoon of the day preceding the general Quarterly Meeting when it is held at Portsmouth, instead of the 11th hour in the morning as heretofore — Each of the members as are present are united in requesting of the Yearly Meeting that a change in the time of holding it may be made, and the Clerk is directed to furnish the Quarterly Meeting with a copy of this minute. Thomas S Gould Clerk for the day

Which having been deliberately considered, Nothing appearing, was approved by this and the women's meeting, and the Clerk was directed to furnish Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting with a copy of this minute.

2d day afternoon the 12th The committee appointed to examine Daniel Peckham's accounts, consider of a sum suitable for the meeting to raise, & to propose a Friend for Treasurer — have made

The following report—

Which was adopted, and Brother Sappington was appointed a delegate to represent the church during the year; and on motion Meeting was adjourned to meet on Saturday. Meeting was opened by prayer. Brother Sappington presented a petition signed by three hundred dollars, the sum agreed to be raised; and the clerk was directed to furnish them with a copy of this minute.

Extracted from the minutes, and signed by direction and on behalf of the meeting

by Silas Mitchell Clerk this year

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting proposes some to be sent to one hundred Twenty dollars

Weapon we appoint our friends William Hill Miller Chace Kenyon Chace George C. Kenyon Levi Chace Thomas B. Gould Othniel Porter & Charles Peay to examine and settle the Treasurers account, consider of a sum meet to be raised by this meeting for the ensuing year and to propose a Treasurer and report at our next meeting.

Our clerk is directed to furnish the Clerk of the Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders, ~~with a copy of the and also each of our Monthly Meetings~~, with a copy of the conclusion of the Yearly Meeting with regard to the change of time in holding that meeting in the 5th Month; & he is also directed to furnish each of our Monthly Meetings with a copy of the same.

An extract from the minutes of Smithfield Mo. Meeting of Friends held at Lincoln 30th of 3d Month last, on behalf of Ruth H. Parmelee wife of our friend Chace Parmelee, who accompanies her husband in his present religious visit, is here produced and read in this meeting. Her company is thereon acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Thomas B. Gould returned the minute granted him by Rhode Island Monthly Meeting in the Seventh Month last year for visiting with the concurrence of this meeting the several Monthly Meetings within the limits of several of the Yearly Meetings in this land, with the information that he had been enabled to perform the service which he believed

be required at his hand, & the peace of his own mind
and ~~approved~~ the satisfaction of faithful Friends
amongst whom he was called to labor. He also
produced a returning minute dated 5th Month last
from New York Yearly Meeting of Friends held at
Poplar Ridge ~~approving~~ which he attended,
company & gospel labors; which is accepted
and is directed to be recorded —

Thomas Pim Clerk —

[illegible] Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River, 1st day 11th Month 1865.

[illegible] Meeting, the representatives having returned to the Meeting, as appointed at, [illegible] Meeting, [illegible] Fall River [illegible] Quarterly Meeting [illegible] Women Friends [illegible] Those who being called were found capable for the [illegible]

[illegible] is appointed [illegible]

[illegible] Quarterly Meeting [illegible] from our several Monthly Meetings.

[illegible] Committee appointed in the 8th month last to settle the [illegible] & prepare a [illegible] of this Meeting for the present year [illegible] ——— [illegible] Fall River Monthly Meeting for the ensuing year in keeping with said report and our Monthly Meetings are requested to forward their reports [illegible]

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 7th of 2d Month - 1856 -

Accounts are received from our several monthly meetings and the representatives therein named to this meeting are from Rhode Island, Thomas S. Gould and Lewis Peace from Swanzey, Thomas Willcox Welch Tripp Israel Sullivan and Miller Chace - from South Kingstown, John Wilbur and Charles Penn and from Providence Samuel D. Chace & John Foster whose names being called there are all present but one for whose absence a sufficient reason was rendered.

One of the representatives informs that several of their number have convened together and concluded to propose the name of Charles Penn for Clerk and Aaron Chace for Assistant Clerk of this Meeting, which being united with, they are accordingly appointed to those services for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

Swanzey, South Kingstown and Providence Monthly Meetings inform that they have directed their Treasurers to pay to ours their respective proportions of Quarterly Meetings Stock.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers to the first, second and tenth from each of our Monthly Meetings. —

Charles Penn Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 5th Mo 1st 1856.

Accounts are received from all our Monthly Meetings and the following Friends are named therein as representatives to this Meeting: From Rhode Island, Hannah Gould Levi Chace and George W. Carr - From Swanzey, William Hill, Israel Buffinton Thomas Wilbur and Miller Chace, from South Kingstown Samuel Thurfield and John Porter, and from Providence, Hanna Chace and George C. Kenyon, whose names being called they are all present but one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was rendered.

Rhode Island Monthly Meetings inform that they have directed their Treasurer to pay to ours their proportion of Quarterly Meetings Stock.

The Queries have been read and succeeded by answers from all our Monthly Meetings from which the following summary has been compiled which we think describes the state of this Meeting and which is directed to be forwarded with our account to our next Yearly Meeting to be held on Rhode Island in the 6th month next, by Samuel Porter, Thomas Wilbur Levi Chace Hanna Chace, Israel Buffinton William Hill, John Borden of Warwick and Charles Penn; who are also appointed our representatives.

A memorial from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting respecting our beloved Friend Thomas B. Gould late deceased has been read in this and the womens meeting; and is approved and directed to be forwarded to the Meeting for Sufferings.

Our Treasurer is directed to pass to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting One hundred & twenty dollars, our proportion of the Yearly Meeting Stock.

One of the representatives from Rhode Island, ~~Monthly Meeting~~ informs that at their last Monthly Meeting it was concluded to bring the present stripped situation of that Meeting to the notice of the Quarterly Meeting, desiring that such assistance as it may seem needful should be extended in the case; whereupon we appoint our friends Othniel Foster, William Hill, George C. Kenyon Israel Buffington Miller Chace and Harvey Chace to attend that Monthly Meeting as way may open for it, and render such assistance as they may be enabled to, for the upholding of Truths Testimonies therein, and report to this Meeting from time to time as occasion may require.

Our Clerk is directed to make any necessary extracts from our minutes sign them on our behalf and forward to the Yearly Meeting by our representatives.

Charles Peery Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport 7th of 8th Month 1856.

Accounts are received from all our Monthly Meetings, from which it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting — Viz. From Rhode Island, Henry Gould, George W. Carr and Levi Chase — From Swanzey Israel Buffinton Isaac Fiske & William Hill — from South Kingstown, Samuel Shuffield and Charles Peery and from Providence Harvey Chace and John Borden whose names being called they are all present but one.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting and succeeded by answers to the First Second and Tenth from our several Monthly Meetings.

Our beloved Friend Joseph Tripp attended this Meeting with a certificate from Hector Monthly Meeting of Friends held 12th of 3d Month last setting him at liberty to pay a religious visit to Friends & some others within the limits of this Yearly Meeting — ~~he being a minister in unity with them~~ and also a certificate of concurrence from this Quarterly Meeting held at Hector 30th of 4th month last; he being a minister in unity with them. His company and Gospel labors have been acceptable and edifying to us.

The following extract from the minutes of the Yearly Meeting has been received and read Viz. ——— whereupon we appoint our friends Ethan Borden William Hill Levi Chase ~~and~~

At a Yearly Meeting of Friends on Rhode Island held at Portsmouth on Rhode Island by adjournment from the 15th of the 6th month to the 18th of the same inclusive 1856

Third day of the week seventeenth of the month.

The Committee appointed this morning to take into view the subject of a new apportionment of stock, have produced the following report—

And recommend that it be divided as follows

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting 45 per cent
Sandwich Quarterly Meeting 40 " "
Salem & Dover Quarterly Meeting 15 " "

On behalf of the Committee Israel Buffinton

Which having been read & considered was approved by the Meeting.

The Committee appointed to examine & settle the Treasurer's account, & to other purposes have made the following report— which was read & approved, & Israel Buffinton is according appointed Treasurer for the year ensuing, & our several Quarterly Meetings are requested to forward to him their respective proportions of 300 dollars, the sum proposed to be raised.

Extracted from the minutes, & signed by direction & on behalf of the Meeting by

Peleg Mitchell Clerk this Year

Rhode Island Quarterly Meetings proportion being 45 per cent is $135—

~~Ruffinton~~ Jeremiah Roberts & David Foster Harvey Cline and Israel Ruffinton to examine & settle the treasurers account, consider of a sum suitable to be raised by this Meeting for the ensuing year and to propose a treasurer; they are also requested to propose an appointment of stock to our several Monthly Meetings and report at our next meeting.

One of the representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting reports that they all attended.

Charles Perry Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River 6th of 11th Month 1856.

By accounts from our several Monthly Meetings it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this Meeting — From Rhode Island Levi Chase and Geo. W. Carr, from Swanzey Mo. Ri Buffinton Israll Buffinton and Thomas Wilbur from South Kingstown Othniel Foster and John Foster and from Providence John T. Kenyon and George C. Kenyon, whose names being called they are all present but one.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with answers from all our Monthly Meetings to the first second and tenth.

The Committee appointed in the 8th Month last to examine and settle the Treasurers account and for other purposes, produced the following report viz —

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting,

The Committee appointed to examine & settle the Treasurers account and for other purposes, report that on examining the accounts they find a balance in the Treasury of Twelve dollars & twenty cents ($12 20/100) and propose that One hundred and fifty dollars be raised for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year also

propose William Hill for Treasurer. The following apportionment is recommended to each of the Monthly Meetings -

Rhode Island	8	per cent
Swansey	42	" "
South Kingstown	24	" "
Providence	26	" "
	100	-

On behalf of the Committee
4th mo. 5. 1856. Jeremiah Peckham
Levi Chase.

which being acceptable to the Meeting William Hill is accordingly appointed Treasurer for the ensuing year, and our several Monthly Meetings are requested to forward to him their respective proportions of One hundred & fifty Dollars the sum agreed to be raised; and the Clerk is directed to forward to them a copy of this Minute together with the apportionment ~~forward~~, now concluded on.

Our beloved Friend Jonah Tripp from Hector Monthly Meeting in the State of New York attended this Meeting in the 8th month last with a certificate from his Monthly & Quarterly Meeting - and having since accomplished his religious service within our limits, and his company & gospel labors having been acceptable and edifying to Friends, our Clerk was directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

Signed Peace Cottle

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 5th of 2d Month 1857,

Accounts are received from all our Monthly Meetings from which it appears that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this Meeting - From Rhode Island Levi Chace & Henry Gould; from Swanzey Isaac Fisher William Hill and Israel Buffington; from South Kingstown Ethan Foster & Thomas Peny and from Providence Buffum Chace and John T. Kenyon whose names being called they are all present but one.

Israel Buffington on behalf of the representatives informs that they are united in proposing the reappointment of Charles Peny for Clerk and Harvey Chace for assistant Clerk of this meeting for the year ensuing - After being separately considered and approved they are accordingly appointed to those services respectively.

Our beloved friend Nathan Page attended this Meeting with a Certificate from Salem Monthly Meeting held at Lynn in the Eleventh month last setting him at liberty to attend to religious service, as therein expressed, within the limits of Sandwich and Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting. His company and gospel labors have been satisfactory & edifying to us, & he is encouraged to pursue his prospect as Truth may open the way.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting, with approved answers to the first Second & Tenth from all our Monthly Meetings.

Charles Peny Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 7th of 5th Month 1857-

Accounts are received from all our Monthly Meetings, by which it appears that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting — From Rhode Island - Henry Gould Levi Chace and George W. Carr - from Swanzey Isaac Fish William F. Wood and Miller Chace, from South Kingstown Ethan Forth & Samuel Shuffield, and from Providence George C. Kenyon and Samuel B. Chace - whose names being called they are all present except two.

The several Monthly Meetings inform that they have directed their Treasurers to pay to the Treasurer of this Meeting their respective proportions of Quarterly Meetings stock.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with answers thereto from all our Monthly Meetings and we have compiled the following summary therefrom as descriptive of our present state, which is directed to be forwarded with an account to the Yearly Meeting next to be held on Rhode Island by our Friends Miller Chace, Israel Buffington, Ethan Forth, Charles Peny, Henry Chace Levi Chace, Joseph Brinton Ethan Forth and John T. Kenyon whom we appoint our representatives.

Our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Yearly Meetings Treasurer our proportion of Yearly Meetings stock.

The Committee appointed in the 5th Month last year to attend and assist Rhode Island Monthly Meeting as way should open for it, produced the following report

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends

Dear Friends

The committee appointed in 5th Month last to render some assistance to Rhode Island Monthly Meeting in their Stripped condition — report That some of our number have attended most of their Monthly Meetings since that time to pretty good satisfaction, and think Friends if that meeting will be able to hold it for the present without the assistance of a committee from the Quarterly Meeting — Which is submitted to the Meeting

East Greenwich 5th Mo 7. 1857.

On behalf of the Committee

Miller Chace
Daniel Buffington

which is accepted, and the Committee is released from further care in the case.

Our beloved friend Nathan Page having concluded the religious service within our limits, in which he was engaged at the time of our last meeting, to the satisfaction of Friends, our clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the minute made last Quarter in regard thereto, and sign it on our behalf.—

The Clerk is directed to make any necessary extracts from our minutes, sign them on our behalf and forward to the Yearly Meeting.

Memorials from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting respecting our late beloved Friends John & Lydia Wilbur and Thomas Foster have been read in this Meeting to our satisfaction & comfort — our women Friends being also present at the reading; — they are approved and directed to be forwarded to the Meeting for Sufferings.

Charles Penny Clerk

of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends
held at Smithfield 6th of 8th mo 1857.

Sergeant and Record from
all our Monthly Meetings, from which it appears
the following named Friends were appointed
Representatives to this Meeting, from Rhode Island
Jane Chace, Joseph Brayton, 3d, George H Chace,
Ramsey, William Hill, & William J Reed, South Kingston
John Easton, & John Peckham, Providence, Harvey
Chace, George C. Hanson, who are all present
except two

The Clerk of this Meeting being absent
Israel Brayton is appointed Clerk for the day

The queries have been read and
answered by answers to the first second and
fourth from all our Monthly Meetings

One of the Representatives appointed in 8th mo
to attend this Yearly Meeting, report that they
all attended

The following extracts from the minutes
of the Yearly Meeting, have been minuted and
read, viz. wherein we appoint Harvey Chace
Israel Brayton Thomas Penny & Jane Chace to
examine and settle the Treasurers account, consider
of a suitable sum to be raised by this Meeting
for the year ensuing, and propose the name
of a suitable Friend for Treasurer, and report
at our next Meeting

From an Annual Meeting of Friends for New England held at Newport on Rhode Island by adjournments from the 11th to the 16th days of the same inclusive 1857

3d day of the week 14th of the month

The committee appointed yesterday morning to examine and settle the Treasurers account and for other purposes have made the following report which having been considered was approved, and Israel Buffington accordingly appointed Treasurer for the year ensuing, or until another appointment; and our Quarterly Meetings are requested to forward to him their respective proportions of three hundred dollars, the amount proposed to be raised.

And the Clerk was directed to furnish from duplicate a copy of this minute.

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting's proportion being ninety nine per cent, is one hundred & thirty one dollars

Extracted from the minutes & signed by direction & on behalf of the Meeting &c

Thos Mitchell
Clerk this year

Rhode Island
Quarterly Meeting

Providence Monthly Meeting proposes that
their monthly meetings in future be held
at East Greenwich in the ninth tenth
eleventh third seventh & fifth months and
at South Providence in the twelfth first
second sixth seventh & eighth months, on
the same days, and at the same hour
heretofore, With which this meeting unites,
and the monthly meetings are to be held
accordingly beginning at East Greenwich in
the ninth month next, The women meeting
uniting with the proposition,
and the Clerk is requested to furnish
Providence Monthly Meeting a copy of this
minute

Israel Buffington, Clerk for the Day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River on the 5th of Eleventh Month 1857 :—

Accounts are received from all our Monthly Meetings — and the representatives therein named are — From Rhode Island, Levi Chase and George W. Carr — from Swansey William Hill and William Wood from South Kingstown Ethan Foster and John Foster, and from Providence John J. Kenyon and George C. Kenyon — whose names being called they are all present but one.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with answers to the first second & tenth from all our Monthly Meetings.—

The Committee appointed at our last Meeting to examine and settle the Treasurers account and for other purposes has presented the following report — namely.

"To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends.

"The Committee appointed to examine & settle the "Treasurers accounts and for other purposes report, "that we have examined the account, & find them "correctly kept, and find the balance in his hands to "be Eighteen 45/100 Dollars. We propose that the sum "of One hundred & fifty dollars be raised for the use "of the Meeting for the ensuing year, & have united "in recommending the name of William Hill for "Treasurer"

Thomas Peay on behalf of the Committee

Fall River 11th mo 5th 1857

which is satisfactory; and William Hill is accordingly appointed Treasurer for the ensuing year. Our several Monthly Meetings are requested to forward to him their respective proportions of One hundred & fifty dollars, the amount agreed to be raised - and the Clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of this Minute.

Charles Penny Clerk

At a Yearly Meeting of Friends held at Smithfield the 11th of 2d Month 1853

Accounts are received from all our Monthly Meetings, and the representatives named therein are - from Rhode Island Joseph Hunter and Geo. W. Carr from Nine Mile Grove Isaac Fish and William Hill, from South Kingstown John Foster and John Peckham, and from Providence John S. Harris and Jonathan Chace, who were duly called to and all present except two, for the absence of one of whom a satisfactory reason has been rendered.

One of the representatives informs that most of them have convened together and are united in proposing Ethan Foster for Clerk and Joseph Hunter for Assistant Clerk of this meeting, which having been united with they are accordingly appointed to that station respectively for the year ensuing or until another appointment

the Queries have been read in this Meeting with appropriate answers to the first 2d & tenth from each our Monthly Meetings.—

Nine-day and South Kingstown Monthly Meetings inform that they have directed their respective proportions of Quarterly Meeting Stock to be paid over to the Treasurer of this Meeting.

Ethan Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 6th. of 5th. month 1858

Accounts are received from all our Monthly Meetings— the Representatives therein named are — From Rhode Island, George N. Carr and Joseph Brayton from Exeter William Hall— Hillsdale and Ruth Tripp. from South Kingstown Samuel Sherman & John N Foster from Providence Jeremiah Smith and John T. Sawyer whose names being called they are all present.—

Rhode Island and Providence Monthly Meetings inform that they have directed their proportions of Q. Mtg Stock to be paid over to the Treasurer of this meeting

The Queries have been read in this meeting preceded by answers from all our Monthly Meetings from which the following summary has been compiled believed to be nearly descriptive of the present state of this

Quarterly, and which is directed to be forwarded with our account to the ensuing Yearly Meeting to be held in Rhode Island in the 6th month next by our friends Ralph Sipp, William Hall, Othniel Hutton, Charles Lungren, John S. Morgan, Jeremiah Fitch, Joseph Brinton and Isaac Pennington whom we appoint our representatives.

(See annexed Summary)

South Kingstown Monthly Meeting informs that they propose the appointment of John Hall to the station of an Elder, with which this meeting, jointly with the women's meeting unite; and direct the information to be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting and William Hall is appointed to inform the next Quarterly Meeting of this conclusion.

The treasurer of this meeting is directed to pay over to the treasurer of the Yearly Meeting $135 our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock.

The clerk of this meeting is directed to make all necessary extracts from our minutes respecting us on our behalf and forward them to the Yearly Meeting by our representatives.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at
Newport 5th of 8th mo. 1858

By accounts received from our several Monthly
Meetings it appears that the following named Friends are
appointed representatives to this meeting, Thos. Rhodes Elam
Joseph Briston & Isaac Elam - Swansey Israel Buffington
and William Hill - South Kingstown Othniel Potter and
John Peckham, Portsmouth George C. Kenyon and Harvey Gladding
whose names being called they are all present except one

The Queries have been read at this time succeeded
by answers from the first second and tenth from all our
Monthly Meetings

The Friends appointed to inform the last Quarterly
meeting of the appointment of John Potter to the Station of
an elder informs that he has performed that service.

One of the representatives appointed to attend our
last Yearly meeting reports that they all attended.

The following extract from the minutes of our last Yearly
meeting has been received and read viz - Whereupon we appoint
Willet Hicks Israel Buffington George C. Kenyon, John J. Kenyon, Jesse
Isaacs, Othniel Potter and Ethan Potter a committee to examine
and settle the Treasurers account, consider of a suitable sum
to be raised by the meeting for the ensuing year, propose a
Treasurer and report to a future meeting

At an Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England held at Newport on Rhode Island by adjournments from the 13th of 6mo to the 16th of the same inclusive 1757

3rd day of the week and 16th of the month

The committee appointed yesterday morning to examine and settle the Treasurers account, Conclude upon a sum suitable for the meeting to raise, and to propose a fit person for Treasurer — have produced the following report — which was satisfactory to the meeting; and Israel Dunbar was accordingly appointed Treasurer for the year ensuing or until another appointment, and the Quarterly Meetings are requested to forward to him their respective proportions of two hundred dollars the sum agreed to be raised, and the Clerk was directed to furnish them with a Copy of this minute

Extracted from the minutes and signed by direction and on behalf of the meeting by

Peleg Mitchell Clerk this year

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting's proportion being 45 per ct is Ninety dollars.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River 4th of 11th mo. 1858

By accounts received from our several Monthly meetings it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this Meeting — from R. Island Sam'l Chace and Geo. W. Carr — Swansey Moden Chace and William Wood — South Kingstown Charles Seamans and Ethan Foster Providence John S. Kingsford and Jeremiah Foster whose names being called they are all present except one.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting will answers to the first second and tenth from our several Monthly Meetings.

The committee appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers account & for other purposes made the following report namely — "To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting

" The committee appointed to examine and
" settle the treasurers accounts and for other purposes report
" that we have attended thereto, and find in his hands four dollars
" and sixty four cents. We recommend to raise one hundred
" and fifty dollars for the use of the Meeting ~~the ensuing~~
" the ensuing year and propose William Hill for Treasurer.
" Fall River 11. mo. 3rd 1858 } On behalf of the committee Ethan Foster

which is satisfactory and William Hill is accordingly appointed Treasurer for the ensuing year — Our several Monthly Meetings are requested to pay over to him their respective proportions of one hundred & fifty dollars the sum proposed to be raised; and the Clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of this minute.

At Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Smithfield 3d of 2d month 1859

By account received from our several Monthly meetings it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting - from Rhode Island George W. Carr and Joseph Brinton Dartmouth Israel Buffinton Wm. Hill and Ralph Tripp - South Kingston - Ethniel Foster and Chas. Perry - Providence George C. Kenyon and Buffum Chace whose names being called they are all present except one.

The representatives inform that they are united in proposing Ethan Foster for clerk, and Joseph Brinton for assistant clerk of this meeting which being separately considered, are united with, and they are accordingly appointed to those stations respectively, for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

Our beloved friend Nathan Page attended this meeting with a certificate from Salem Monthly Meeting held at Elam 13th of 1st Month 1859 expressive of their unity with him as a minister, and with his concern to attend this meeting and most of the meetings constituting it and of appointing some meetings within its limits among Friends and others, & also of appointing some meetings among Friends and others within the limits of Sandwich Quarterly meeting - His company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

The Queries have been read in this meeting, with answers to the first second and tenth from our several Monthly Meetings.

Swansey Monthly Meeting informs that they have directed their treasurer to pay over to the treasurer of this meeting sixty three dollars—their proportion of Quarterly meeting Stock.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 5th of 5th Month 1859

Accounts are received from all our Monthly Meetings from which it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this Meeting—From Rhode Island George N. Carr and Levi Chace, Swansey Isaac Fisher Israel Buffinton & Philip Tripp, South Kingstown Othniel Foster, John W. Foster and Samuel Sheffield Providence—John Foster and Harvey Chace; whose names being called they are all present.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting succeeded by answers from all our monthly meetings; from which the following summary has been compiled, believed nearly to describe the present state of this meeting; which is directed to be forwarded with our account to the ensuing Yearly Meeting to be held on Rhode Island in the 6th Month next. by our friends Othniel Foster, Isaac Fisher, Levi Chace Israel Buffinton, George C. Kenyon, Charles Penny and Harvey Chace whom we appoint as representatives to that meeting.

Rhode Island, South Kingstown, and Providence monthly meetings, inform that they have directed their proportion of Quarterly meeting Stock to be paid over to the treasurer of this meeting.

The treasurer of this meeting is directed to pay over to the treasurer of the Yearly meeting our proportion of Yearly meeting Stock.

The clerk is directed to furnish our friend Nathan Page with a copy of the minute made at our last meeting on his behalf.

The clerk is directed to make all necessary extracts from the minutes of this meeting, sign them on our behalf, and present them to the Yearly meeting by our representatives.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport 4th of 8th Month 1859

Accounts are received from our several Monthly Meetings by which it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting – From Rhode Island Levi Chace and Israel Buffinton Swansey Mill. Chace and Israel Buffinton South Kingstown Obadiah Foster and John Foster Providence John Foster and Harvey Chace whose names being called they are all present.

The Epistles have been read in this meeting with answers to the first second and tenth from our several Monthly Meetings.

One of the representatives from this meeting appointed to attend our last Q. Mtg reports that all of them attended the several sittings of that meeting with the exception of one

Jeremiah Foster, John S. Hungon, Charles Peery Ethan Foster, Israel Buffinton, Philip Tripp, Joseph Brinton and Levi Chace are appointed a committee to examine and settle the Treasurers account, consider of a sum suitable to be raised for the use of this meeting the ensuing year propose a treasurer and report to a future meeting.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River 3d. of 11th Month 1859

Accounts are received from our several Monthly meetings by which it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting from Rhode Island Levi Chace and George W. Carr Swansey Philip Tisdale William Wood and Amos C. Wilbur; South Kingstown Ethan Foster and John W Foster - Providence, John Foster and John T. Kenyon, whose names being called they all present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers to the first second and tenth from our several Monthly meetings

The committee appointed to examine and settle the treasurers account and for other purposes made the following report, which is accepted and Amos C. Wilbur is accordingly appointed Treasurer of this meeting for the ensuing year; and the clerk is directed to furnish the several Monthly meetings with a copy of this minute, and the former Treasurer is requested to pay over to the Friend now appointed the balance in his hands. —

The Committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's account and perform other duties, Report that they have attended to the duties of their appointment and find a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of Forty nine dollars and fifty cents — and that it does not appear necessary a Tax should be laid for the use of the Quarterly Meeting this year. We propose Enoch Wilson for Treasurer.

On behalf of the Committee —

Red River 11th mo 2. 1857

Charles Parr

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 2nd of 5mo Month 1860.

Accounts are received from our several monthly meetings, by which it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting— From Rhode Island Joseph Brunton and Levi Chace— Swansey Amos C Wilbur and Israel Buffinton— South Kingstown— Charles Peirce and Ethan Foster— Providence, John Foster and Harvey Chace whose names being called they are all present except one.

Israel Buffinton on behalf of the representatives informs that a part of them have been together and that they are united in proposing Ethan Foster for Clerk, and Joseph Brunton for assistant clerk of this Meeting, which being separately considered are united with and they are accordingly appointed to those stations respectively for the year ensuing, or until another appointment.

The queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the first, second and tenth from our several Monthly Meetings.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 3d. of 5th. Month 1860.

Accounts are received from our several Monthly meetings by which it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting — from Rhode Island:

The Queries have been read in this meeting successively by answers from all our Monthly meetings; from which the following summary has been compiled as descriptive of the present state of the society within our limits; which is directed to be forwarded with our account to the ensuing Yearly Meeting to be held on Rhode Island in the sixth month next, by our friends Miller Chace, Othniel Foster, Charles Peirce, Levi Chace, Philip Tripp, Harvey Chace, John Sawyer and Joseph Brayton whom we appoint our representatives.

South Kingstown Monthly Meeting has proposed to this meeting the appointment of Ethan Foster to the station of an elder, which after a time of deliberation thereon was referred to our next Quarterly Meeting.

Sermon (5 mo. 1860)

Ans. 1. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended except but in one of the Monthly meetings - those on first days by most friends - mid week meetings and those for discipline more neglected of course - the rule generally observed - mostly clear of unbecoming behaviour except sleeping which appears in a few - some case has been extended.

2. Love and unity mutually exist maintained without detraction - tattling &c. seems by most - in a measure shunned - states where dissensions have been endeavoured to be used to settle them - some accounts of difficulties.

3. Friends are mostly careful to bring up their children under their direction in plainness; also to restrain them from pernicious reading and corrupt conversation - they are generally exemplary themselves; and we believe the holy scriptures are frequently read in their families.

Ans. 4. Friends appear to be careful to avoid the use of spirituous liquors except for medicine, and mostly so in regard to preparing them for public sale - in other parts the rule appears to be observed.

6th 6. The circumstances of the poor and such as appear either to need assistance are attended to. Friends children partake of learning none placed out from amongst us.

6th 7. It is the exception of one case of marrying out, omitted as mentioned in one of the monthly meetings, that query appears to have been observed.

7th 8. The monthly meetings report some exceptions in regard to the payment of rent wages, a few having attended meeting where a tithing ministry is employed, else is regular to the other parts of the query.

8th 9. Friends appear to be mostly careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts; to be punctual to their promises and just in the payment of their debts and to live within the bounds of their circumstances

9 Mostly regular as to record — two instances of removal without certificates are reported.

10. Some care has been taken to deal with offenders as queried after and to pass judgement when it appears necessary according to discipline

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport 2nd of 5th Month 1860.

Accounts are received from our several Monthly by which it appears that the following named Friends were appointed representatives to this Meeting - from Rhode Island George W. Carr and Joseph Brinton, Dwenary Hall Shipton Miller Chace and Moses Bapinton South Kingstown Charles Perry and John Peckham Providence Harvey Chace and George C. Mason: whose names being called they are all present.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with answers to the first second and tenth from our several Monthly Meetings

One of the representatives appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting reports that they attended

The proposition of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting in regard to the appointment of Ethan Foster to the station of an Elder coming again under consideration it was concluded to refer it to our next meeting

Our Beloved Friend Narcissa B. Coffin attended this Meeting with a certificate from Nantucket Monthly Meeting of Friends dated 31st of 5th month 1860 liberating her for religious service within the limits of this Yearly Meeting, and expression of their unity with her as a minister, and of her prospect in regard to this service. Her company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

~~At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Hall Rider the 4th month 1760~~

~~Accounts are received from our several Monthly Meetings by which it appears that the following named Friends are appointed Representatives to this meeting from Rhode Island~~

Isaac Chace Isaac Fisher, John Peckham & John Foster of Warwick are appointed a committee to examine and settle the Treasurers account consider of a sum suitable to be raised for the use of the meeting for the ensuing year, propose a treasurer and report to our next meeting

South Kingstown Monthly meeting informs that it is the conclusion of that meeting, that their meetings be hereafter held as follows.— At Westerly in the first, fourth, seventh and tenth months,— at Hopkinton in the second, fifth eighth and eleventh months; and at South Kingstown in the third, sixth ninth and twelfth months which is approved by this meeting, and also by that of the women.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River 1st of 11th month 1860

Accounts are received from our several Monthly Meetings by which it appears that the following named Friends were appointed representatives to this Meeting—
From Rhode Island —

Queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the first second and tenth from our several Monthly Meetings.

The proposition of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting referred by minute of our last meeting was again considered; and although it appears that the meeting, from its first introduction therein, has been very nearly united in acceding thereto, yet as it was not entirely so, the subject is, at the suggestion of a Friend who had objected to the proposition, and at the request of Ethan Foster dismissed from the minutes. and the Clerk is directed to furnish South Kingstown Monthly meeting with a copy of this minute.

The committee appointed at our last meeting to examine and settle the treasurers account, not being ready to report are continued and requested to report at our next meeting.

Our friend Narcissa B. Coffin having finished her visit within the limits of this Meeting the clerk is requested to sign a minute made by the womens meeting on her behalf.

At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 9th of 3rd Month 1861

Accounts are received from our several Monthly Meetings, by which we are informed that the following named friends have been appointed representatives to this meeting — from Rhode Island Joseph Brayton and Levi Chace; Swansey & Philip Tripp Israel Buffington and Isaac Fitch — South Kingstown Charles Peery and John Foster — Providence John T. Kenyon and Samuel B. Chace whose names being called they are all present

Israel Buffington on behalf of the representatives informs that they have conferred together, and are united in proposing the reappointment of Ethan Foster for clerk ~~and~~ of this meeting and Joseph Brayton for assistant clerk, which being separately considered were united with and they ~~the~~ accordingly appointed to those stations respectively for the ~~ye~~ ensuing year or until another appointment.

The queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the first second and tenth from our several monthly meetings.

To R. I. Quarterly Meeting.

Dear friends—

Your Committee appointed to settle the Treasurers account, have attended to their appointment, & find a balance of $26.90 in his hands—

It is our opinion that it will not be necessary to add to this sum for the current year.— We are also united in proposing the name of the present Treasurer— Amos C. Wilbur for the ensuing year.

All of which we submit to the Meeting— & are your friends—

Signed on behalf of the Committee
By Isaac Fiske—

Fall River 2nd Mo 14. 1861

The committee appointed to examine and settle the treasurers account and for other purposes made the following report, which is accepted, and Amos C. Wilbur is accordingly appointed treasurer of this meeting for the ensuing year.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 2d. of 5th Month 1861.

Accounts are received from our several Monthly Meetings by which we are informed that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting – From Rhode Island Levi Chace and George W. Carr. Swansey – Israel Buffinton, Moses B. Buffinton & Mrs. P. Wood S. Kingstown Thomas Peirce & Samuel Sheffield. Prov. John T. Kenyon & Jeremiah Foster, whose names being called they are all present except two, for the absence of one of whom a satisfactory reason was rendered.

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers from all our Monthly Meetings; from which we have compiled the following summary as descriptive of the present state of the society within our limits, which the clerk is directed to forward with our account to the ensuing Yearly Meeting to be held on Rhode Island in the sixth month next by our friends Othniel Foster, Harvey Chace, Israel Buffinton, Miller Chace, John T. Kenyon, Levi Chace, & Samuel Sheffield whom we appoint our representatives.

The clerk is directed to make all necessary extracts from the minutes of this meeting, sign them on our behalf and forward them to the Yearly Meeting by our representatives.

Monthly Meeting it appears that
Friends are appointed repre[illegible]

, Levi Chace & Joseph Brinton
Swansey Seneca Lincoln and Isaac Fisk South Kingstown - John Foster, Samuel Sheffield and Ethan Foster
Providence - Jeremiah Foster and John T. Kenyon whose
names being called they are all present.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting succeeded by answers to the usual three from all our Monthly meetings.

In view of the defective answer to the 2nd query which have for a considerable time past come up to this meeting from Swansey Monthly Meeting, stating that a difference exists between a member of that Monthly Meeting and a member of Providence Monthly Meeting, and of a verbal communication made at this time on behalf of the owners of Swansey and Providence Monthly Meetings, who at the request of this Meeting have taken some care in the case, we appoint Levi Chace, Joseph Brinton, John Foster, Ethan Foster and Samuel Sheffield, a committee to investigate the cause of those defective answers, and to endeavor in the ability afforded to investigate the whole subject of this difficulty thoroughly - do what they can to effect a settlement, and report their judgement thereon to our next meeting

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 6th of 7th month 1862

By accounts received from our several Monthly meetings it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting – From Rhode Island Joseph Hunton and Levi Chace, Swansey Israel Buffinton and Miller Chace – South Kingstown Charles Peery Samuel Sheffield and Othniel Foster – Providence Jeremiah Foster and John I Kenyon, whose names being called they are all present.

Israel Buffinton on behalf of the representatives informs that a portion of them have conference together and are united in proposing the re-appointment of Othniel Foster for clerk of this meeting, and Joseph Hunton for assistant Clerk, which being separately considered were united with, and they are accordingly re-appointed to those stations respectively for the year ensuing or until another appointment

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers to the first second and tenth from all our Monthly Meetings.

The committee appointed at our last meeting on account of the defective answers to the 2nd query from Swansey Monthly Meeting report, that they have paid some attention to the subject, but are not prepared to make a final report. they are therefore continued and requested to report to our next meeting.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 1st of 5th Month 1862

By accounts received at this time from our several Monthly meetings it appears that they have appointed the following named Friends representatives to this meeting - From Rhode Island Levi Chace and George W. Carr - Swansey Israel Buffinton and Philip Tripp. South Kingstown Charles Peny. George C. Foster and Daniel Wilbur - Providence John J. Kenyon and John Foster whose names being called they are all present except one

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers thereto from all our monthly meetings from which the following summary has been compiled a description of the present state of the society within our limits; which the clerk is directed to forward with our account to the ensuing Yearly meeting to be held on Rhode Island in the sixth month next by our friends Othniel Foster & Othniel Foster Charles Peny Levi Chace, Israel Buffinton, Philip Tripp, John Foster of Warwick, Joseph Brinton and John J. Kenyon, whom we appoint representatives to that meeting

The committee in relation to the defective answers to the 2nd query from Swansey Monthly Meeting not being able to reconcile their views so as to make a united report are continued and requested to report to our next meeting.

A Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport 7th of 5th month 1862

By accounts received from our several Monthly meetings it appears that they have appointed the following named Friends representatives to this meeting. From Rhode Island Levi Chace and George W. Carr - Swansey Philip Tripp Israel Buffinton and Isaac Fisher, South Kingstown Charles Tenny and Ethan Foster. Providence - John I. Kenyon and John Foster; whose names being called they are all present except one.

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers to the first second and tenth from all our Mo. Meetings

The committee appointed in the 11th Month last in relation to the defective answers to the second query from Swansey Monthly Meeting, and since continued, made the following report - which are accepted and directed to be recorded; and the committee is discharged from further service.

Charles Tenny on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting reports that they attended.

Report of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting

* We the undersigned members of the committee appointed in the 11th Month last to investigate and endeavor to settle a difficulty between a member of Swansey Monthly meeting and a member of Providence Monthly meeting as brought to view in the answer to the second query from the former meeting, Report - that the whole committee met on that purpose at North Providence in the 2d month last after giving due notice to the parties of the time and place of meeting - that the member appealed from Swansey did not meet us; in consequence of which we twice adjourned the last time to meet at the close of the Quarterly meeting; which we learned he purposed attending, and which he did attend; previous to the sitting of which some of our number had an interview with him, at which he declined meeting the committee as proposed, and denied their authority to act in the premises, as between him and the member from Providence; consequently nothing was done at that time. Subsequently another meeting of the committee was appointed at Hestings and notice to the parties duly given at which time of the committee, the member from Providence and the wife of the member from Swansey were present, and the two absent were found in relation to the several matters in

question, by which it appears that the female [illegible] related to
a woman was tried in conjunction with the proceedings and
acts of her brother, the said member from Providence, in the
settlement of their father's estate while acting with two other
others as executors to his will, out of which proceedings and
acts the dissatisfaction of her husband appears to have orig-
inated. It further appears that during the time that the case
was under the notice or care of the overseers, those of Providence
co. [illegible] concealed their member from the charges prefer-
red against him, and that of Swansey decided that in wa-
of a delinquent member of society on account of these charg-
and further - that since the origin of this difficulty the
executors of Sowsan have brought an action at law against the
member from Swansey under a provision of the discipline a
[illegible] and and with the concurrent belief and assent
of one of the two overseers of Swansea Monthly meeting
on which suit they obtained judgment in their favor, also
that there is still pending an action at law brought by the
member from Swansey against the said executors: in relatio
to which we do not regard it as within our province to give
judgment, not having heard testimony respecting the matt-
-, and having doubts of the propriety of our interfering
therein in any event. But in view of the whole matter as
presented to us, regarding the said female and not her
husband as essentially the party in interest and in view of his

In Rhode Island Quarterly Mtg. of Friends
next to be held at Newport.

We your com. appointed in the
Eleventh month last on account of the
difference arisen from Swanzea Monthly
Mtg. & to endeavor to effect a settlement &c
&c. Report that we have attended to our
appointment in the ability afforded
and that we find a difference existing
between a member of Swanzea monthly
meeting & a member of Providence monthly
meeting which matter case has been for some time
under a legal investigation. but we
did not open for us to move rightly in
the case.

Signed

Samuel Sheffield
Levi Chase
Joseph Brinton

refusal to meet us as aforesaid; it appears to us that he has placed himself in the wrong, and that he has no just ground of complaint against the member from Providence.

In regard to the propriety of the answer to the second query from Swansey monthly meeting, it appears to us that it does not require to be answered as hindson by that monthly meeting unless it is intended to ask further assistance from the Quarterly meeting; the import of the query being not whether differences exist, but whether care is taken to end them when they arise.

Newport 8th month, 7th 1862

John Foster
Ethan Foster

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River 6th of 11th Month 1862

Accounts are received from our several Monthly Meetings, by which it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting, from Rhode Island Levi Chace and Joseph Brinton Swansey, Israel Buffinton and Miller Chace South Kingstown Othniel Foster and John W. Foster Providence Harvey Chace and George C. Kenyon whose names being called they are all present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting preceded by answers to the first second and tenth from all our Monthly meetings.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence the 5th of 2d. Month 1865;

Accounts have been received from our several Monthly meetings by which it appears that the following Friends have been appointed representatives to this Meeting namely — From Rhode Island George W. Carr and Levi Chase — Swansey Israel Buffinton Miller Chase and Isaac Fike; South Kingstown Othniel Foster and Thomas Peny; Providence Jeremiah Foster and George E. Lenyon; whose names being called they are all present except three, — satisfactory reasons being given for the absence of two.

This being the usual time for the appointment of Clerks, one of the representatives stated that part of them had been together and had united to propose the name of Ethan Foster for Clerk and Joseph Brinton to assist. The names were separately considered — and they are appointed to the stations named for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

The clerk of this meeting being absent Charles Peny is appointed Clerk for the day.

Our friend Nathan Page attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from Salem Monthly Meet

held at Lynn, on the 13th of 11th Month 1762, setting him at liberty to attend Sandwich Quarterly Meeting at New Bedford and some of the meetings within its limits, and also to attend R. Island Quarterly Meeting & some meetings belonging thereto, and to appoint some meetings within the limits of those Quarters; — his company and services have been acceptable, and our Clerk is directed to furnish him a copy of this minute; — the women meeting having united therein.

The Queries have been read in this meeting. Succeeded by answers to the first, second & tenth, from our several Monthly Meetings.

Thomas Perry Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 7th of 5th month 1863.

Accounts have been received from our several Monthly meetings by which it appears that the following named Friends have been appointed representatives to this meeting. From Rhode Island Levi Chace and Joseph Buxton — Swansey Israel Buffinton and Moses B. Buffinton South Kingston Othniel Foller and Charles Perry Providence John Foller and Jonathan Chace, whose names being called they are all present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting preceded by answers thereto from all our Monthly Meetings from which the following summary has been compiled designed to describe the present state of the society within our present limits; and which the clerk is directed to forward with an account to the succeeding Yearly meeting to be held on Rhode Island in the 6th month next by our friends Othniel Foller Miller Chace, Amos C. Weaver Israel Buffinton Ethan Foller Joseph Buxton Levi Chace Charles Perry Howey Chace and Jonathan Chace whom we appoint our representatives to that meeting.

The clerk is directed to make all necessary extracts from the minutes of this meeting, sign them on its behalf and forward them to the Yearly Meeting by our representatives.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport 6th of 8th month 1863

Accounts have been received from S. Kingstown and Providence Monthly Meetings by which it appears that the following named Friends have been appointed representatives to this meeting— From South Kingstown Ethan Foster and Samuel Shuffeld Providence John T. Kenyon and Jeremiah Foster who are present except one.

No accounts have been received at this time from Rhode Island or Swansey Monthly Meetings.

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers to the first 2d and tenth from South Kingstown and Providence Monthly meetings.

No accounts having been received at this time from Rhode Island and Swansey Monthly meetings and information having been given by members of those meetings that the clerk, assuming that it was the sense of the meeting that no representatives be appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting sent no accounts thereof; We therefore appoint John T. Kenyon Charles Dyer Harvey Chace Othniel Potter and Ethan Foster a committee to visit those meetings and individual members of them, and render such advice and assistance as the circumstances of the case may appear to require and report to our next meeting.

Two of the representatives appointed to attend our last Yearly meeting report that they all attended during the first part of the meeting, but that three of them subsequently withdrew with several other members without asking leave of the meeting.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River 5th of 11th month 1863

Accounts have been received from Swansey S. Kingston and Providence Monthly meetings, and the representatives thereto named to that meeting are— from ~~Portsmouth~~ Swansey Philip Tripp Wm. F. Wood & Miller Chace— S. Kingstown Otheniel Foster ~~and~~ Charles Peng & Daniel Wilbur, Providence, John T. Kenyon and Jeremiah Foster; whose names being called they are all present except two; for the absence of one of whom a satisfactory reason was rendered.

No account has been at this time received from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting—

The Queries have been read in this meeting and answered by answers to the first second and tenth from Swansey S. Kingstown and Providence Monthly meetings

The committee appointed at our last meeting to attend Rhode Island & Swansey Monthly Meetings, and render such advice and assistance as the circumstances of the case may appear to require & way open for, made the following report, which being satisfactory is accepted and the committee are continued and desired to ~~report~~ extend such further care as the case may appear to require and report to our next meeting; the women's meeting uniting herein.

Swansey Monthly Meeting having by minute requested that that meeting be dissolved and the members

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and of this defection, it is the united judgement of the committee that the Monthly meeting cannot at present be reputably sustained

The course pursued by the small party who withdrew from our Yearly Meeting in the 6th Month last alluded to in the introduction to this report affords a striking illustration of the working of that spirit of rantism and libertinism which has been developing itself in our Yearly Meeting for several years past. Under the profession of superior spiritual discernment, condescension and forbearance, as well as reason and consistency have been to a great extent lost sight of by these people. It is well known that censure and denunciation have been freely cast upon those who have honestly entertained and expressed views differing from theirs; and that measures have been carried through the Yearly Meeting from the mere accident of their having the clerk on their side against the expressed dissent of by far the greater proportion of the members present including Elders of age and experience, under the plea that they the clerk and his supporters were in the Truth and the body of the meeting out of it; and while the Yearly Meeting is repudiated and denounced as apostate and out of the Truth, Quarterly and Monthly meetings are professedly held by them though subordinate to no superior meeting and the discipline thus made void and of no effect.

Indeed it is but too evident that the course pursued by these people will if persisted in, result in casting aside the discipline instituted by our forefathers in the authority of Truth and which has so long been a hedge about us, as a useless incumbrance, not necessary under a state of spiritual discernment such as they claim to be favored with. In conclusion the committee can but acknowledge with satisfaction the uniform brotherly kindness extended to them by Friends who retain their integrity to principle, and regard for the discipline and good order we practice, and still hold dear by all true Friends; presaging as we hope and trust, a season of compunction quiet when set free from the confusion and strife incident to a connection with those who while making an exalted profession are by indulgence in party spirit and disorderly practices undermining it.

Fall River 11th Mo. 4th 1863 On behalf of the committee Ethan Foster

At the Monthly Meeting in the 9th. month two of the committee attended. Israel Buffinton and his brother continued to disturb the meeting as before. The time for holding their meeting for worship was now changed from half past ten to eleven o'clock; and on account of its smallness and of the age and distance from meeting of some of the principal members the afternoon meeting on first day was discontinued.

In the tenth month three of the committee attended. At this time the Monthly Meeting came to the conclusion to ask the Quarterly Meeting to lay the Monthly Meeting down, it being the judgment of Friends then that their present reduced number with the prospect of still further reduction by removal rendered this step indispensable; in which view the committee united, and a minute to this effect was drawn up and adopted, and the time of meeting on first day changed from eleven o'clock to half past ten, as it was, prior to the alteration made at the previous meeting; it being found that those who withdrew from the first Meeting continued to meet as heretofore; thus making confusion both in the assembling and breaking up of the meetings, which it seemed desirable to avoid. Friends then thought best to wait a little longer before leaving the house in the hope that these way and manner members would allow them to control the meeting or if not that some arrangement could be made by which the Meetings might be held in separate rooms. It appears to the committee that unless some satisfactory arrangement like the above can be made soon, it will be best for Friends to leave the house, and hold their meetings at some other place; desiring if possible to avoid confusion and strife in meetings for worship than which nothing can be more deadening to the vitality of devotional exercise, or the life of a meeting. —

Two of the committee attended Rhode Island Monthly Meeting in the 10th month and offered to the meeting a copy of the minute of their appointment, which those having control of the meeting refused to notice, continuing also to refuse to appoint representatives or send accounts to the Quarterly Meeting.

The number there is very small, only two of the male members assuming to hold the meeting, one in consideration of which

In this Mo. Mtg. no women Mtg. has been held by those who withdrew from the Mo. Mtg. since the adjournment of that Mtg. in the 6 Mo. last.

the Yearly Meeting, he said he should not have done as he did. The interview though brief sufficed to convince us that he could not be reasoned with, taking the ground that he and the few associated with him were in the truth and that we and all others who differed from them were out of it and consequently not to be heeded. At the close of the meeting for worship he took his seat at the table; and was proceeding to open the meeting, when an aged Friend expressed a desire that Israel Buffington would not attempt to act as clerk, he having the month before refused to hand the Monthly meeting account to the Quarterly Meeting. He however read the opening minute, our minute of appointment being then on the table, and the nature of it explained; of which he took no notice. He called for the preparative meeting account, which was not produced, the representative who had it in charge saying that he did not think it proper to hand it in as matters then stood.

Israel Buffington was now called on to evince his subordination to the Quarterly Meeting by reading the minute of that meeting handed in by the committee, and now on the table; but he refused to do so denying its validity in the most unqualified manner. A Friend then proposed the appointment of a clerk, and this course was advised by the committee on the ground that the present incumbent had by his refractory course and manifest acts of insubordination become entirely disqualified for serving in that capacity. —

After repeated attempts to show him the unreasonableness of his course in claiming to act as clerk of the Monthly Meeting while holding that it owed no allegiance to the Quarterly Meeting, and was in no sense subordinate thereto, and the undoubted right of the Monthly Meeting under such circumstances to appoint a new clerk and after much clamor on the part of him and his brother the only person who supported him, and who repeatedly asserted their insubordination to the Quarterly Meeting, another Friend was appointed to serve as clerk without objection except from the two above named. The meeting then proceeded with and concluded the business, though Israel Buffington continued to sit at the table and assumed to transact business sustained only by his brother;

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends

(Report) The committee appointed in the eighth month last to visit Rhode Island and Swansey Monthly Meetings and render such advice and assistance as the circumstances may appear to require and may open for us

Report

That the result of the withdrawal of a number of members from our Yearly Meeting in a disorderly manner in the 6th month last has been such as might have been expected from a step so unprecedented and disorganizing; and throws a weight of exercise and labor on those who remain, calling for wisdom and prudence in action, and a humble reliance on the divine arm for help. The persons alluded to although entirely severed from the Yearly Meeting have adopted the gross inconsistency of attempting to continue a control in our subordinate meetings, the effect of which could only be to produce disorder and confusion. Of this the Monthly Meetings of Rhode Island and Swansey, referred to in our minutes of last present and since visited by this committee are examples.

Three of our number attended Swansey Monthly Meeting in the 8th month, previous to which we had an interview with Israel Buffinton, the clerk, who on our expressing to him the nature of our visit, said that he could not receive us as a committee of the Quarterly Meeting, calling us a self constituted committee, and denying our authority to act; but said he would hear what we had to say as individuals. —

We expressed to him our desire that he would not attempt to act as clerk of the Monthly Meeting unless he intended that it should be held in subordination to the Quarterly Meeting; as his doing so could only tend to disturbance and strife, showing him that no Monthly Meeting could by our discipline exist without such subordination. He took the ground that he was the rightful clerk of Swansey Monthly Meeting, and that he could not be removed until the expiration of the year from the time of his appointment — said he should act as clerk, and that he should retain the books and papers of the Monthly Meeting. When reminded that such a course would be contrary to that pursued by Peleg Mitchell at

thereof attached to Providence Monthly Meeting, after a time of deliberation thereon, it was concluded to grant their request; and upon the reception of this minute by Providence and Swansey Monthly Meetings the latter is accordingly dissolved, and the members annexed to Providence Monthly Meeting; and we appoint Wm. F. Wood to receive the books and papers belonging to Swansey Monthly Meeting and to turn them over to the clerk of Providence Monthly meeting; and the clerk of this meeting is directed to furnish Swansey and Providence Monthly Meetings with a copy of this minute; having the unity of the women meeting herein.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women held at Portsmouth the 4th of 2nd month 1862

Accounts have been received from South Kingstown and Providence Monthly Meetings by which it appears that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting — From S. Kingstown Charles Rodman and John Peckham — Providence; Jeremiah Fosters Jun. P. Chace and Philip Tripp; whose names being called they are all present.

No account has at this time been received from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting

Jeremiah Foster on behalf of the representatives informs that most of them have entered together and are united in proposing ~~the appointment of~~ Ethan

Potter for clerk and William F. Wood for assistant clerk, which being separately considered were united with, and they are accordingly appointed to that service for the year ensuing or until another appointment

The Queries from this meeting were read in this meeting succeeded by answers to the first second and tenth from N. Kingstown and Providence Monthly Meetings

The committee appointed at the 8th month last to visit Rhode Island and Swansey Monthly Meetings, and at our last meeting continued, made the following report, which is accepted and the committee are accordingly continued and requested to report to our next meeting.

The Friend appointed at our last meeting to receive the books and papers of Swansey Monthly Meeting, and to hand them over to the clerk of Providence monthly meeting reports that he has attended to the appointment; but that Isaac Buffington the former clerk refused to give them up— he further states that the minutes made after the appointment of the new clerk is handed over to the clerk of Providence Monthly meeting

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends

Dear Friends

(Report)

The Committee appointed to extend labor on behalf of the Quarterly Meeting to Rhode Island & Swansey Monthly Meetings, Report that two of their number visited Newport in the first month for the purpose of attending R.I. Monthly Meeting, and found it held by only five members, four of whom were among those who withdrew from our last Yearly Meeting. These constituted of one man and three women assumed to hold the Mo. Meeting and wholly to control its proceedings; the man sitting in the business Meeting with the women, one of whom acted as clerk.

They refused in any way to recognise the Committee, and as heretofore, omitted to send any account to the Quarterly Meeting.

This condition of that Monthly Meeting in the judgment of the Committee fully warrants and calls for its dissolution, and the annexation of its members to another, but inasmuch as the Committee have not had an opportunity generally to consult those members who have not severed their connexion with the Yearly Meeting, as to their wishes in regard to which of the remaining Monthly Meetings they would prefer to be united with, the Committee propose that the Quarterly Meeting defer action in this case until our next Meeting in order to give an opportunity for consultation with such Friends in that particular.

Newport Providence 2nd Mo 4th 1864

John J. Kinyon on behalf of the Committee.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at East Greenwich 5th of 5th Mo. 1864.

Accounts have been received from South Kingstown and Providence Monthly Meetings by which it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this Meeting. From South Kingstown Othniel Foster and Ethan Foster Providence Jeremiah Foster and Jonathan Chace,

No account has at this time been received from Rhode Island Monthly meeting.

The Queries have been read in this meeting answered by answers thereto from South Kingstown and Providence Monthly meetings; from which we have compiled the following summary* as descriptive of our present state which the clerk is directed to forward with our account to the succeeding Yearly Meeting to be held on Rhode Island in the 6th month next by our friends Othniel Foster Miller Chace William F. Wood Charles Peery Hazard Chace and John T. Kenyon whom we appoint our representatives to that meeting

The committee appointed in the 8th month last and since continued, to visit Rhode Island and Swansey Monthly meetings made the following report which is accepted, and Rhode Island Monthly Meeting is accordingly dissolved and the members thereof annexed

* Summary not made out in form, but the answers marked in the accounts from the Mo. Meetings

to Providence Monthly Meeting; and the clerk of this meeting is directed to forward to Rhode Island Monthly meeting a copy of this minute; and Harvey Chace and Charles Peny are appointed a committee to receive the books and papers of that Monthly meeting, and hand them over to the clerk of Providence Monthly meeting and report to our next meeting; having the unity of the womens meeting herein.

South Kingstown Monthly Meeting propose the appointment of Charles Peny Ethan Potter and Eliza G. Hatfield to the station of Elder; which being considered was united with, and they are accordingly appointed to that station having the unity of the womens meeting herein.

The following extract from the minute of our last Yearly meeting has been received and read. Whereupon we appoint Miller Chace, John W. Potter Harvey Chace Charles Peny, Jeremiah Potter and John Peckham a committee to solicit subscriptions from the members of this meeting with a view to raising $75 for the use of the meeting this year and our treasurer is directed (when in funds) to pay over to the treasurer of the Yearly meeting our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock.

In consequence of the changed state of things within our limits it is concluded to ask of the Yearly meeting that the place of holding our Quarterly Meeting in the 5th Month be changed from East Greenwich to Westerly, and that the summer quarter be held at North Kingstown instead of Newport as heretofore.

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends
to be held at East Greenwich.

Dear Friends,

The committee appointed to visit Rhode Island & Swanzey Monthly Meetings - in addition to former reports made by them, have now to state that two of them number again visited Newport in the 4th Month for the purpose of fulfilling the object of their appointment as ability should be afforded & every opening for it. — They found the meeting claiming to be R.I. Monthly Meeting in no respect improved from the condition it was in at their last previous visit — and there being no prospect that it can be continued to the honor or advancement of Truth, on account of the sad spirit of disorder & insubordination among the few who assume the exclusive control therein, and also on account of the scattered situation of those remaining loyal to our discipline & principles, we continue to be of the judgment that it will be best to dissolve that said Meeting. — And most of those interested having been consulted & acquiesced therein, we recommend that the members be transferred to Providence Monthly Meeting. —

East Greenwich 5th mo 5. 1864.

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held at Newport on Rhode Island by adjournments from the 15th of 6th month to the 17th of the same inclusive 1863.

Fourth day of the week and Seventeenth of the month.

The large number of Friends at present required by our Discipline to constitute a Meeting for Sufferings, having claimed our attention at this time, in connection with the dispersed and scattered state of our Society, after a time of deliberation therein it is agreed that our Discipline in that respect be so far altered as to provide that not less than fifteen members shall compose that Meeting, and that at least Seven members shall be present for the transaction of business

The Committee appointed at our last sitting to examine and settle the accounts of the Treasurer, and for other purposes, [illegible] which was read and approved, and George Allday is accordingly appointed Treasurer of this Meeting for the ensuring year, and our several Quarterly Meetings are requested to forward to him their respective proportion of One hundred and twenty-five dollars, the sum concluded upon to be raised, it being agreed that the proportion of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting shall be fifty per cent, that of Salem and Dover thirty-five per cent, and that of Sandwich fifteen per cent.

Extracted from the minutes and signed by direction and on behalf of the meeting by

Valentine Mariner
Assistant Clerk.

Rhode Island Quarterly Meetings proportion being 50 per cent is Sixty-two dollars and fifty cents.

Island Quarterly Meeting
of Friends

The clerk is directed to make all necessary extracts from the minutes ~~thereof~~ of this meeting, sign them on its behalf and forward them to the yearly meeting by our representatives.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 4th of 8th month 1864

By accounts received from our Monthly Meetings it appears that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting — South Kingstown Elihu Foster, Samuel Hufford and Chas. Penny Providence — Jeremiah Potter and Harvey Clarke whose names being called they are all present,

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers from the first second and tenth from our monthly meetings.

The committee appointed at our last meeting to receive the books and papers of Rhode Island Monthly meeting and hand them over to the clerk of Providence monthly meeting report that they called on the person acting as clerk of that meeting Lydia Ann Goodrich for that purpose, but that she refused to give them up and denied the authority of the committee in the premises

Providence Monthly Meeting ask for liberty to change the times and places of holding that meeting as follows viz. at North Providence in the first, second third and fourth months— at Warwick in the fifth and sixth months— At Newport in the seventh and eighth months— At Fall River in the ninth and tenth months; and at North Providence in the eleventh and twelfth months. To be held on fourth day preceding the last fifth day in each month, commencing at Fall River in the ninth month next; which being duly considered was granted and they are accordingly left at liberty to hold them as proposed.

Hanway Place on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting reports that they attended, and that the request made to that meeting to change the place of holding the Quarterly Meeting in the 5th. and 8th. months was granted although official information thereof has not yet reached us.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River 3d of 11th Month 1864

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings by which it appears that the following named Friends are appointed Representatives to this meeting- South Kingstown John Peckham and Elkan Foller- Providence Philip Tripp, Wm F. Wood & Moses Buffington, whose names being called they are all present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers to the usual three from our monthly meetings.

Received at this time the following extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting which have been read to our satisfaction

Harvey Chace, Wm F. Wood & Thomas Peny are appointed a committee to examine and settle the Treasurers account, consider of a sum suitable to be raised by the meeting this year, propose a plan for the same and report to our next meeting

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends —

The committee appointed to settle the Treasurers Account and for other purposes, Report that they have attended to the duties of their appointment and find a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of One dollar & forty one cents. — We propose that the sum of Twenty five dollars be raised for the use of the Meeting the ensuing year.

We also propose the reappointment of Amos C. Wilbur as Treasurer —

Thomas Peny

On behalf of the Committee

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly 4th of 5th month 1865

By accounts received from our Monthly Meeting it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting – From South Kingstown Othniel Foster Ethan Foster and John W. Foster – Providence Jeremiah Foster and Harvey Chace, whose names being called they are all present.

Harvey Chace on behalf of the representatives reports that they have conferred together and are united in proposing Ethan Foster for clerk, and Jeremiah Foster for assistant clerk of this meeting for the year ensuing, which being separately considered were united with, and they are accordingly appointed to that service for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers thereto from our monthly meetings; from which we have compiled the following summary as descriptive of our present state, which the clerk is directed to forward with a copy of this minute to our Yearly Meeting, to be held on Rhode Island in the 6th month next, by our friends Othniel Foster, Harvey Chace Charles Peery, Jeremiah Foster Ethan Foster and Samuel Sheffield whom we appoint representatives to that meeting

The treasurer of this meeting is directed to pay over to the treasurer of the Yearly Meeting our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 2nd of 2nd mo. 1865

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings by which it appears that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting.- From South Kingstown Elihu Foster and ~~Charles~~ Thomas Peace Providence Samuel B Chace and John T. Hanson whose names being called they are all present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting and answers from the first second and third from our ~~Monthly~~ Meetings.

The committee appointed at our last meeting to examine and settle the treasurer accounts and for other purposes made the following report which is accepted and Amos C Wilbur is accordingly appointed treasurer of the meeting for the year ensuing, and our Monthly Meetings are requested to pay to him their respective proportions of Quarterly meeting stock.

The clerk of this meeting is directed to make all necessary extracts from the minuts thereof, sign them on its behalf and forward them to the Yearly meeting by our representatives.

At Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of friends held at North Providence 3rd of 8th month 1865

Accounts are received from our monthly meetings by which it appears that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting:- From South Kingstown Charles Peny and Samuel Slocum Providence - Moses Brace & John T. Hazard whose names being called they are all present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting successively by answers to the first second and tenth from our Monthly Meetings.

Minuted on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend our last ~~Yearly~~ Yearly meeting that they attended.

At a Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England. held on Rhode Island. by adjournments from the 12th of Sixth Month. to the 14th of the same inclusive. 1815

Third day of the week and twelfth of the month.

The Committee appointed at a previous sitting to examine and settle the accounts of the treasurer. and for other purposes. have produced the following report. Namely, ——

which is satisfactory. and George M Eddy, is accordingly appointed treasurer of this Meeting for the year ensuing. and our several Quarterly Meetings are requested to pay to him their respective proportions of fifty Dollars. the sum conducted upon to be raised. and the Clerk is directed to furnish those Meetings respectively with a copy of this Minute.

Extracted from the minutes and signed by direction and on behalf of the Meeting. by

Valentine Meader Clerk

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting's proportion. being 50 per cent. is twenty five dollars

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Fall River 2nd. of 11th Month 1865

Accounts are received from our Monthly meetings by which it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting, viz. South Kingstown Ethan Foster and John H. Foster - Swansea Harvey Chace, Elihu Chace & Moses B Buffington whose names being called they are all present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting successively in answer to the 1st 2d and 4th from our Monthly Meetings. —

The following extract from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting has been received and read at this time. — Whereupon we appoint Wm. J. Hoxie and Thomas Chase [illegible] to examine and settle the Treasurers account, consider of a sum suitable to be raised by this meeting this year, propose a time & treasurer to report to our next meeting.

... Monthly and Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence R.I. of 5th month 1866

By accounts received from our Monthly Meeting we are informed that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting — from S. Kingstown Samuel Hoppin and Charles Tripp, Providence Harvey Lewis Jeremiah [illegible] and Thomas Arnold and they being called they are all present

[illegible] on behalf of the representatives in our that a part of them can continue together and are united in proposing Elam Fish for clerk and Jeremiah Tillinghast assistant clerk of this meeting, which being separately considered are united with and they are accordingly appointed to those services respectively for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

The minutes have been read in this meeting with answers to the first 2nd and tenth from our Monthly meetings

The committee appointed at our last meeting to examine and settle the treasurers account, made the following report which is accepted and thus Wilbur is accordingly discharged from the treasury of this meeting for the year ensuing, and the Monthly meetings are directed to pay over to their respective proportions of Quarterly meeting stock, and the clerk is directed to furnish the Monthly meetings with a copy of this minute —

The treasurer of this meeting is directed to pay over to the Treasurer of the Yearly meeting our proportion of yearly meeting stock.

Summary

All our Meetings for worship & discipline have been attended generally by our Friends; but a few Members who claim membership almost entirely from our Meetings - some even below - Friends endeavour to guard against this evil, yet there are some instances of it at times in other meetings within our limits.

2nd We believe Love & unity are a good degree maintained & discouragement generally against the Reception, Love & Care to our Members.

3. Endeavour we use by most proper means to bring offenders under Care in Manner of Such Crimes & offences to Witness them for Reformation, visiting & Counsel in Case of need - they are diligently & carefully Labour to Reconcile, & we believe the Holy Scriptures, and

4th [illegible] Care & Concern & Exercise, upon Account of Liberty - the unnecessary Practice of Wearing Swords & Bearing Arms, & also Defraudation & Conformity to the Customs of the World

5 Most Complaint we have now to Make, Relate to Clothier Practice of Wearing Hats for Women, Hats Given out from some Friends

6 Some Friends & Families with the young are much Concerned Especially that we Settling with respect to Marriage Should be Conformable to our Discipline

7 We believe that Friends Testimony is Against the Evil Practice Spoken of in this Query

Of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends
at Westerly 3d of 5th Month 1866

Account being called from our Monthly meeting we are thereby informed that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting; Jonathan Kingston, ~~Edwards Allen~~ and Daniel Hall Jr; for Smithfield Jeremiah Foster Harvey Chace & John T Kenyon whose names being called they are all present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers thereto from our monthly meetings; from which we have compiled the following summary as descriptive of our present state, and the clerk is directed to forward the same, as also a copy of this minute to our Yearly meeting ~~next~~ to be held at Newport on Rhode Island in the 6th month next by our friends Miller Chace John T. Kenyon Samuel Sheffield, Harvey Chace, & Charles Peny; whom we appoint representatives to that meeting

The treasury of this meeting is directed to pay over to the ~~treasurer~~ of the treasury of the Yearly meeting our proportion of Yearly meeting stock

The clerk is directed to make all necessary extracts from the minutes of this meeting sign them on its behalf and forward them to the Yearly meeting by our representatives

At Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Friends held at South Providence 2nd of 8th month 1866

Accounts are received from our monthly meetings by which we are informed that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting— from South Kingstown Obadiah Foster & Charles Peny Providence Miller Bluce Geo. W. Carr and Jeremiah Foster whose names being called they are present except two.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with satisfactory answers to the first, second and tenth from our monthly meetings.

Miller Bluce on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting reports that they all attended

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At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at South Providence 4th of 2nd month 1867

By accounts received from our Monthly Meetings we are informed that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting — From South Kingstown Charles Peny and John W. Foster. Providence — Jeremiah Foster and John T. Kenyon whose names being called they are all present except one.

The Queries have been read in this meeting attended by answers to the first, second and tenth from our Monthly Meetings

The committee previously appointed to examine and settle the treasurers account made the following report; which is accepted and Amos C. Wilbur is accordingly reappointed treasurer

of this meeting for the year ensuing, and our Monthly Meetings are requested to pass over to him their respective proportions of twenty dollars, the sum therein named to be raised, and the clerk is directed to furnish each of them with a copy of this minute,

At a Yearly Meeting of Friends in the State of Rhode Island &c. by adjournments from the 11th of Sixth Month to the 13th of the same inclusive 1806.

Second day of the week, and 11th of the month.

The Committee appointed at our Morning sitting to examine and settle the Treasurers Accounts, and for other purposes, have presented the following report namely which is satisfactory to this Meeting - George H. Eddy is accordingly appointed treasurer of this Meeting for the ensuing year and our several Quarterly Meetings are requested to pay to him their respective proportions of Twenty-five dollars, the sum combined, when to be raised, and the Clerk is directed to furnish those Meetings respectively with a copy of this minute

Extracted from the Minutes, and signed by direction and on behalf of the Yearly Meeting aforesaid &c.

Valentine M. Eaton

Clerk.

Received from Friends Meeting Committee the sum of 50 per cent. is Twelve dollars and fifty cents

The Committee of the Yearly Meeting of Friends
held at Nine Partners, the Meeting Houses
and Monthly Meetings therein to belong, with
and Minutes thereof, to be recorded with
Minutes herein.

Extracted from the Minutes of
the Yearly Meeting held at
Nine Partners 2nd of 4th Month 1801.

Wm. Stanton Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends
held at Westerly 2nd of 5th Mo. 1867

Accounts are received from our Monthly
meetings, the representatives from which therein named
are from South Kingstown Daniel Wilbur and
John W. Foster. Providence Jeremiah Foster Harvey
Chace and Amos C. Wilbur, whose names being called
they are present except one

Harvey Chace on behalf of the representatives informs
that a part of them have conferred together and are united
in proposing Ethan Foster for clerk and Jeremiah Foster
for assistant clerk of this meeting for the ensuing year
whose names being separately considered were united with
and they are accordingly appointed to those services respectively
for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

Valley Falls 2d

To Rhode Island Quarterly
Meeting of Friends

We your
to settle with the Treasurer and for ot
this we have attended to our appointm
him, two dollars & sixteen cents, propos
and Amos C Dilber for Treasurer, th
all of which we submit to the Meet

On behalf of

Mar 5th 1867.

committee appointed
purposes, Report
, and find due
to raise Sixteen dollars,
ensuing year,

Committee
J. Woods.

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S. Kingstown Monthly meeting informs that they have directed their treasurer to pay over to treasurer of the Quarterly meeting their proportion of Quarterly mtg. Stock.

It is concluded to ask of the Yearly Meeting permission so to change the places of holding our Quarterly Meetings that they may hereafter be held as follows: At North Providence in the 2nd and 8th months - At Hopkinton in the 5th Month and at Westerly in the 11th month having the unity of the womens meeting herein.

The treasurer of this meeting is directed to pay over to the treasurer of the Yearly meeting our proportion Yearly Meeting Stock.

The clerk is directed to make all necessary extracts from the minutes of this meeting, sign them on its behalf and forward them to the yearly meeting by our representatives.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 1st of 8th month 1867

By accounts received from our Monthly Meeting it appears that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting - From South Kingstown

the Queries have been read in this meeting, succeeded by answers to the first, second and tenth from our Monthly Meetings

John J. Kenyon on behalf of the representatives ~~appointed~~ to attend our late Yearly Meeting reports that they all attended.

At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly 7th of 11th Mo. & th. 1867

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings and the following named friends are therein reported as representatives to this meeting— From South Kingston Samuel Hoxsie and Charles Perry— Providence Samuel Collins and Amos C. [illegible] whose names [illegible] ourselves they were all present.—

The Queries have been read in this meeting with the requisite answers to the first second and tenth from our monthly meetings.

Received at this time the following extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting whereupon we appoint Jonathan Chace and Samuel Hoxsie a committee to examine and settle the Treasurers account consider of a sum suitable to be raised for the use of this meeting the ensuing year, propose a board for treasurer and report to our next meeting.

The Committee appointed at the last Stated Meeting to examine and settle the Treasurer's account and for other purposes, presented the following report, Namely -- which is satisfactory to the Meeting and the recommendations therein contained approved.

George M. Eddy is accordingly appointed Treasurer of this Meeting for the year ensuing. and on Semi Quarterly Meetings are requested to pay to him, their respective proportion of twenty-five dollars, the sum agreed upon to be raised, and the Clerk is directed to furnish those Meetings respectively with a copy of this minute

From the minutes of the Yearly Meeting

Valentine Hoag Clerk

Rhod. Island 2 Quarterly Meetings proportion of Stock being 50 per cent is Twelve and 50/100 dollars

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England held on Rhode Island, by adjournments, from the 17th of the Sixth month to the 19th of the same inclusive, 1867

Second day of the week and 17th of the month.

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting having requested permission to change the places of holding that Meeting; after a time of deliberation thereon, it is united with, and this Meeting accordingly directs in conformity with that request, that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting shall hereafter be held as follows. Namely, At Hopkinton in the fifth month, at North Providence in the Second and Eighth months, and at Westerly in the Eleventh Month. - the Women's Yearly Meeting concurring herein, and the Clerk is directed to furnish that Quarterly Meeting with a copy of this Minute.

Fifth day of the week and 18th of the month

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Smith Providence 6th of 2nd month 1868

Accounts are received from our Monthly meetings and the following named friends are therein reported as representatives to this meeting – From N. Kingstown [illegible] Providence [illegible]

The Queries have been read in this meeting with the usual answers to the first second and tenth from our monthly meetings

The committee appointed at our last meeting to examine and settle the treasurers account and for other purposes not being prepared to report are continued and requested to report to our next meeting

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At Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Hopkinton 7th of 5th month 1868

Accounts are received from our monthly meetings and the following named Friends are therein reported as representatives to this meeting – from Smith's Kingstown [illegible]

Amos C. Wilbur on behalf of the representatives informs that a part of them have conferred together and are united in proposing Ethan Foster for clerk and Jeremiah Foster for assistant clerk of this meeting for the ensuing year; whose names being separately considered were united with and they and they are accordingly appointed to those stations respectively for the ensuing year & until another appointment.

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers thereto from our monthly meetings; from which we have compiled the following summary as descriptive of our present state; and the clerk is directed to forward the same as also a copy of this minute to our Yearly meeting to be held at Newport on Rhode Island in the 6th. month next by our friends Ethan Foster Henry Chace Amos C. Wilbur Jeremiah Foster Wm. F. Wood and Samuel Sheffield whom we appoint representatives to that meeting

The Committee appointed in the 11th. month last to examine and settle the treasurers account and for other purposes not being prepared to report are continued and requested to report to our next meeting

The treasurer of this meeting is directed to pay over to the treasurer of the Yearly meeting our proportion of Yearly Meeting stock

The clerk is directed make all necessary extracts from the minutes of this meeting, sign them on its behalf and forward them to the Yearly Meeting by our representatives —

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 6th of eighth month. 1868

Accounts are received from our Monthly meetings and the representatives thereon named to this meeting are from South Kingstown Providence [illegible] whose names [illegible]

The Queries have been read in this meeting with approved answers to the first second and tenth from our Monthly meeting

The committee to examine and settle the treasurers account and for other purposes not being prepared to report are continued and desired to report to our next meeting

Henry Chace on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend our last Quarterly meeting reports that they all attended.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly 5th of 11th month 1868

Accounts are received from our monthly meetings and the following named Friends are there in reported as representatives to this meeting — From ~~Block~~ ~~Island~~ South Kingstown [illegible] From Providence [illegible] were [illegible] called upon as present

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers to the first, second tenth from our monthly meetings —

Received at this time the following extract from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting — and the subject therein embraced is referred to the committee on that subject appointed in the 11th month last, and since continued, who are again continued and desired to report to our next meeting

At an Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England held on Rhode Island by adjournments from the 14th of the Sixth Month to the 17th of the same inclusive. 1868.

Second day of the week and 15th of the month

The Committee appointed at our morning sitting to examine and settle the Treasurer's account, agree upon a suitable sum to be raised for the service of the Meeting this year, and propose a Friend for Treasurer, have produced the following Report, namely ——————————— which is united with. George W Eddy is accordingly appointed Treasurer of this Meeting for the year ensuing, and our several Quarterly Meetings are requested to pay to him their respective proportions of Twenty-five dollars, the sum agreed upon to be raised, and the Clerk is directed to furnish those Meetings respectively with a copy of this minute

From the minutes of the Yearly Meeting aforesaid

Valentine Meader Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 4th of 2nd month 1869

By accounts received from our Monthly Meetings we are informed that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting - From South Kingstown Charles Peery and John W. Foster - Providence Jeremiah Foster and John T Kenyon whose names being called they are all present except one

The Queries have been read in this meeting attended by answers to the first second and tenth from our Monthly meetings.

The committee previously appointed to examine and settle the treasurers account, make the following report which is accepted, and Amos C. Walker is accordingly reappointed treasurer of this meeting for the year ensuing and our Monthly Meetings are requested to pay over to him their respective proportions of twenty dollars the sum there in named to be raised, and the clerk is directed to furnish each of them with a copy of this minute

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At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Hopkinton 6th of 5th month 1869

Accounts are received from our Monthly meetings by which we are informed that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting —

From South Kingstown Samuel Sheffield and Ethan Foster
Providence Amos C. Wilbur, Wm. F. Wood, and Jeremiah
Foster whose names being called they are all present
except our

Charles Peny on behalf of the repre-
sentatives informs that they have conferred together and are
united in proposing Ethan Foster for clerk and ~~Charles Peny~~
Jeremiah Foster for assistant clerk of this meeting for the
ensuing year; whose names being separately considered were
united with and they are accordingly appointed to those
services respectively for the ensuing year or until another ap-
pointment.

The Epistles have been read in this meeting
succeeded by answers thereto from our Monthly Meetings,
from which we have compiled the following summary
which is believed nearly to discribe our present state; and
the clerk is directed to forward the same, with a copy of
this minute and other necessary extracts from our minutes
to our yearly meeting to be held at Newport in Rhode
Island in the 6th month next, by our friends Harvey Chace
Charles Peny, John T. Kenyon, Ethan Foster Jonathan Chace
John W. Foster and Jeremiah Foster whom we appoint our
representatives to that meeting.

This meeting unites with Providence Monthly Meeting in the
appointment of Miller Chace to the station of an elder

in which we know the unity of the womens meeting

Our treasurer is directed to pay over to the treasurer of the Yearly Meeting our proportion of Yearly Meeting stock $2

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 5th of 8th month 1869

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings by which it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting. From South Kingston Edwin Foster and Samuel Sheffield. Providence Miller Chace, Jeremiah Foster and George W. Carr whose names being called they are all present except one.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with answers from the first second and tenth from our Monthly Meetings

The representatives appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting report that they all attended except two.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly 4th of 11th month 1869.

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings and the following named Friends are there reported as representatives to this meeting. From South Kingstown Samuel Sheffield and Ethan Foster. Providence Amos C. Wilbur, Jeremiah Foster and Seneca Lincoln whose names being called they are all present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with satisfactory answers to the first second and tenth from our monthly Meetings

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At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 3d of 2nd month 1870

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings, by which it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting.— From South Kingstown Charles Peny and John W. Potter— Providence Amos C. Wilbur and Harvey Chace, whose names being called they are all present except one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was given.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the first, second and tenth from our Monthly Meetings.—

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 3d. of 2nd month 1870

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Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings, by which it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting – from S. Kingstown Charles Perry and John W. Foster – Providence, Amos C. Wilbur and Harvey Chace, whose names being called they are all present except one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was given.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the first second and tenth from our Monthly Meetings.

At Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Hopkinton 5th of 5th month 1870

By accounts received from our Monthly meetings it appears that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting. From South Kingstown Daniel Wilbur and Ethan Fitts. Providence Jeremiah Foster, Amos C. Wilbur and Jonathan Chace whose names being called they are all present except one.

Daniel Wilbur on behalf of the representatives reports that a part of them have conferred together and are united in proposing Ethan Foster for clerk and Jeremiah Foster for assistant clerk of this meeting for the year ensuing, whose names being separately considered were united with and they are accordingly appointed to those stations respectively for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

The Queries have been read in this meeting succinctly answers thereto from our Monthly Meetings, from which we have compiled the following summary which is believed nearly to describe our present state, and the clerk is directed to forward the same with a copy of this minute and other necessary extracts from our minutes to our Yearly meeting to be held at Newport on Rhode Island in the 6th month next by our friends Harvey Chace Jeremiah Foster, Charles Peny, John T. Kenyon Ethan Foster, John W. Foster and Amos C. Wilbur whom we appoint our representatives to that meeting.

This Meeting unites with South Kingstown Monthly Meeting in approving the gift and public appearances in the ministry of John W. Foster in which we have the unity of the womens meeting.

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The treasurer of this meeting is directed to pay over to the treasurer of this Yearly meeting our proportion of Yearly meeting stock.

Ethan Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 4th of 8th month 1871

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings by which it appears that the following named persons have been appointed representatives to this meeting—viz. South Kingstown Joanna Hazard and Ethan Foster Providence Sarah E. Tyler John T. Kenyon and Ethan Foster whose names being called they are all present

The Queries have been read in this meeting and replied by answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th from the Monthly Meetings.—

This meeting unites with Providence monthly meeting in the appointment of John T. Kenyon to the station of an Elder among the unity of the women meeting herein.

Received at this time the following [illegible] Yearly Meeting; whereupon it is

Thomas Evans and John Thorpe a committee to examine and settle the treasurer account, conclude on a sum to be raised for the use of the meeting this year, & report to our next meeting.

Henry Close on behalf of the apprentices appointed to attend our 1st Day, Meeting report that they all attended.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport 3rd of 11th month 1870

Accounts are received from [illegible] with a report that [illegible] settled to this session. John R. Barker and Charles Sisson, Overseers, Jeremiah Peckham Clerk and [illegible] the names which were called they are all present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting, and answered by answers to the first, second, and tenth from our Monthly Meetings.

The committee appointed at our last [illegible] and settle the treasurer account, [illegible] report that they have [illegible] and find [illegible]

To Rhode Island Quarterly of Friends

The committee appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers account and for other purposes, Report that they have attended to the duties of their appointment and find the account has been correctly kept.— There is a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of Three dollars & twenty nine cents.— We recommend that Twenty dollars be raised for the use of the meeting this year— That Amos C. Wilbur be reappointed Treasurer

North Providence
2d. mo. 2d. 1871

Thomas Peny
on behalf of the Committee

2nd of 2nd month 1871.

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings, by which it appears that the following named Friends have been appointed representatives to this meeting, viz. for Bradford Monthly Meeting, Edmund Fuller and John [illegible]. For [illegible] Monthly Meeting, Jeremiah Miller and Isaac Brown, whose names are on the list. They are all present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd, and [illegible].

[illegible] appointed to prepare the Epistle to the Yearly Meeting, to report the Treasurer's account and for other purposes made the following report, which is united with, and the Friends appointed to serve as Treasurer of this meeting for the ensuing year and are directed [illegible] to pay over to [illegible] respective proportions of [illegible] raised, and to [illegible] with a report of this minute.

[illegible] Friends

[illegible] appointed to examine and settle the Treasurer's account [illegible] report that they have met and [illegible] appointment, and find the account [illegible] kept [illegible] Treasurer [illegible] Treasurer [illegible] they [illegible] recommend that [illegible]

... will be in use of the meeting this year, and that ...
... is appointed treasurer ... Thomas ... my
... correspondence ... on behalf of the Committee
... [illegible]

Othan Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Hopkinton 4th of 5th month 1871

Records an account from our Monthly Meetings by which it appears that the following named friends are appointed representatives to this meeting — from South Kingstown Othan Foster and Daniel Wilbur — Providence, Amos C. Wilbur, Harvey Chace and Jeremiah Foster whose names being called they are present except one.

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers thereto from our Monthly Meetings from which we have compiled the following summary as descriptive of our present state, which the clerk is directed to forward with an account to our yearly meeting to be held at Newport on Rhode Island in the 6th month next by our friends Jonathan Chace, Charles ... Amos C. Wilbur Harvey Chace and Othan Foster and John H. Foster whom we appoint to attend that meeting as our representatives.

The treasurer of this meeting is directed to pay over to the treasurer of the Yearly Meeting our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock.

The clerk is directed to make all necessary extracts from the minutes of this meeting, sign them on its behalf and forward them to the Yearly Meeting by our representatives.

At a Whole Blind Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 3rd of 8th month 1871

By accounts received from our Monthly meetings it appears that the following named friends have been appointed to attend this meeting as representatives — from South Kingstown, Samuel Sheffield and Thomas Hazard — from Harvey Chace, Amos C. Wilbur and George H. Carr, whose names being called they are all present except one.

The time for which the clerk and assistant clerk of this meeting were appointed having expired, and a proposition having been made that the present occupants of those stations (Ethan Foster & Jeremiah Fish) be reappointed it was united with and they are accordingly appointed to serve as clerk and assistant to this meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

The Friends have met and in this meeting with unanimity to the first, second tenth, from our Monthly Meetings

Daniel Chace on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend our last ~~Quarterly~~ Monthly Meeting reports that they all attended,

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At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly 2nd of 11th month 1871

A record was received from our Monthly Meeting which informs that the following named Friends have been appointed representatives to this meeting — From South Kingstown Charles Rodman and Daniel Wilbur — From Providence Amos C Wilbur, John T. Kenyon and Henry Chace, who names being called they are all present,

The Friends have met and in this meeting with unanimity to the first, second and tenth months 1871,

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At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at North Providence 11th of 2nd month 1872

A record was received from our Monthly Meetings informing that the following named Friends have been appointed to attend this meeting — from South Kingstown Chas. C. Wilbur, Thomas Hoxie, Daniel Wilbur, Providence Stephen Gifford, Thomas Arnold,

C. H. [illegible], whose names being called they are all present

The queries have been read in this Meeting with answers
to the first, second and third [illegible]

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends
held at Hopkinton 2nd of 5th month 1872.

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings
by which it appears that the following named Friends have
been appointed to attend this meeting as representatives
from [illegible]
Providence [illegible]

Harvey Chace on behalf of the representatives informs that most of them have conferred together and are united in proposing Ethan Foster for clerk and Jeremiah Foster for assistant clerk of this meeting for the year ensuing, whose names being separately considered were united with, and they are accordingly appointed to those stations respectively for the ensuing year or until another appointment.

The queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers thereto from our Monthly Meetings, from which we have compiled the

subjoined summary designed to describe our present state, which the Clerk is directed to forward with a copy of this minute to our Yearly Meeting to be held at Newport on Rhode Island in the sixth month next, by our friends Harvey Bruce Charles Perry Ethan Foster, Jonathan Bruce, John W. Foster Jeremiah Foster and Thomas Perry whom we appoint representatives to that meeting.

Providence Monthly Meeting informs that they have concluded that the place of holding that meeting be changed from Newport in the 7th and 8th months to North Providence, with which this meeting unites.

The Clerk is directed to make all necessary extracts from the minutes of this meeting, sign them on its behalf, and forward them to the Yearly meeting by our representatives.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 8th Month 1st 1872.

By accounts received from our Monthly Meetings we are informed that the following named Friends have been appointed to attend this meeting as representatives- from South Kingstown Ethan Foster, from Providence [illegible] whose names being called they are all present

The Queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the first, second and tenth from our monthly meetings.

Having been appointed to attend our last Quarterly meeting report that we all attended except one, for whom a satisfactory excuse is rendered.

[illegible] Monthly Meeting held at Westfield [illegible]

Accounts have been received from our Monthly meetings by which it appears that the following named Friends have been appointed representatives to this meeting. From South Hampton are Daniel Willcox and Ethan Foster, from Hardwick Jeremiah Foster and John T. Kenyon whose names being called they are all present except one.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the first, second and tenth from each of our Monthly Meetings.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Smithfield the 6th Day of Month 1873

A communication received from our Quarterly Meeting in which it appears that the following named Friends were appointed to attend this Meeting as Representatives — From South Kingstown Quarterly Meeting, Samuel Hoxie — Jeremiah Foster — Providence, Thomas Arnold — Jeremiah Foster, whose names in said Meeting are all present.

The minutes from said Meeting were read and the Meeting proceeded by answers to the first, second, & tenth queries in our Monthly Meetings.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Hopkinton the 5th of 5th Month 1873.

A communication received from our Quarterly Meetings in which it appears that the following named Friends were appointed to attend this Meeting as Representatives — From South Kingstown Quarterly Meeting, Samuel Hoxie, Jeremiah Foster; from Providence, Thomas Arnold, Jeremiah Foster; whose names in said Meeting are all present and to whom the following satisfactory answer was signed.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence " of eighth month 1873.

We have received accounts from our Monthly Meetings by which we are informed that the following named Friends have been appointed to attend this Meeting as representatives — from South Kingstown Saml. Sheffield Amos C. Wilbur and Charles Perry - Providence William F. Wood & John T. Kenyon whose names being called they are all present except one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was rendered.

Harvey Ethan on behalf of the representatives informs that most of them have conferred together and were united in proposing Ethan Foster for clerk; and Jeremiah Foster for assistant clerk of this meeting; whose names being separately considered were united with, and they are accordingly appointed to those stations respectively for the ensuing year, or until another appointment.

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers to the first, second and tenth from our Monthly meetings.

Harvey Ethan on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting informs that they all attended.

At Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Westerly 6th of 11th month 1873

Accounts from our monthly meetings have been received, by which we are informed that the following named friends have been appointed to attend this meeting as representatives — from South Kingstown — Daniel Wilbur Charles Tew, and Samuel Sheffield, Providence, John T. Kenyon and Seneca Lincoln, whose names being called they are all present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting succeeded by answers to the first, second and tenth from our Monthly Meetings.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Providence 5th of 2nd month 1874.

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings by which we are informed that the following named friends have been appointed to attend this meeting as representatives — From South Kingstown — Charles Tew, Ellen Foster and Samuel Sheffield, Providence

From [illegible] —

The Queries have been read in this meeting, succeeded by answers to the usual three from our respective meetings.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Hopkinton the 5th month 1874

We have received accounts from our Monthly meetings and are thereby informed that the following named friends have been appointed as representatives to this meeting. From South Kings Town Ethan Foster and Samuel Sheffield Providence Jeremiah Foster and Harvey Clarke whose names being called they are all present. The Queries have been read in this meeting, with answers thereto from our Monthly meetings; from these we have compiled the following summary as descriptive of our present state, and the clerk is directed to forward the same, with a copy of this minute to our Yearly Meeting to be held at Newport on Rhode Island in the 6th Month next by our friends Ethan Foster Harvey Clarke, Samuel Sheffield, John T. Kenyon Charles Peirce, John M. Foster and Jeremiah Foster whom we appoint representatives to that Meeting;

The clerk is directed to make all necessary extracts from the minutes of this meeting, sign them on its behalf and forward them to the Yearly Meeting by our representatives.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pawtucket 6th day 5th month 1874

We have received accounts from our Monthly Meetings, by which we are informed that the following named Friends have been appointed to attend this meeting as representatives from South Kingstown Elias Vaughn, Jesse Foster and Samuel Sheffield Providence Jeremiah Foster and Seneca Sisson whose names being called they are all present.

Elias Vaughn on behalf of the representatives informs the meeting that they have conferred together and are united in proposing Jeremiah Foster Jr. clerk and William H. Hood for assistant clerk of this meeting whose names being separately considered are united with, and they are accordingly appointed to those stations respectively for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

The queries have been read in this meeting, followed by answers to Nos. 2, 3, 4 and both from our Monthly Meetings.

Harvey Chace on behalf of the representatives to this Quarterly Meeting, reports that they are all present, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly 5th of 11th mo 1874

We have received accounts from our Monthly Meetings of Westerly and Smithfield that the following named Friends have been appointed Representatives to attend this meeting, from Westerly Charles Dunn and Daniel Hiscox, from Providence Jeremiah Foster and John Thompson whose names being called they are all present.

The epistles have been read in this meeting from those of ours to the 1st 2nd and 3rd from our Monthly Meetings

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At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 5th month 1875.

Accounts have been received from our Monthly Meetings from which it appears that the following named Friends have been appointed Representatives to this Meeting, from Westerly Charles Dunn & Thankful Foster, from Smithfield John M. Foster, from Providence Henry Tucker & William H. Hart whose names being called they are present, except one.

The epistles have been read in this meeting from those of ours to the 1st 2nd & 3rd from our Monthly Meetings

Jeremiah Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Hopkinton 6th of 5th month 1875.

Accounts from our Monthly Meetings are received and the representatives therein named are from South Kingstown Ethan Foster, Samuel Shiffield and John W. Foster, from Providence Jeremiah Foster and Harvey Chace whose names being called they are all present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with answers thereto from our Monthly Meetings, from this we have compiled the following summary as descriptive of our present state, and the clerk is directed to forward the same, with a copy of this minute to our Yearly Meeting to be held at Newport on Rhode Island in the 6th month next by our friends Charles Peery, Harvey Chace, Ethan Foster, John T. Kenyon John W. Foster and Jeremiah Foster whom we appoint representatives

The clerk is directed to make all necessary extracts from the minutes of this meeting, sign them on its behalf and forward them to the Yearly Meeting by our representatives,

Jonathan Chace is appointed Treasurer of this meeting for the year ensueing or until another appointment, and Ethan Foster is requested to assist him in examining and settleing the account of Amos C. Wilbur late Treasurer of this meeting.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pawtucket 5th of 8th month 1875

Accounts from our Monthly Meetings are received and the representatives therein named are from South Kingstown Samuel Sheffield, John W. Foster and George Foster, from Providence Harvey Chace and John T. Kenyon whose names being called they are all present except one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

The queries have been read in this meeting, followed by answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th from our Monthly Meetings

Providence Monthly Meeting requests permission to hold their meetings in the 9th and 10th months at Pawtucket instead of Fall River, which this meeting unites with, having the unity of the womens meeting herein.

Charles Peery on behalf of the representatives to the Yearly Meeting reports they all attended.

Jeremiah Foster Clk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 4th of 11th mo 1875.

Accounts from our Monthly Meetings are received, and the representatives therein named are from South Kingstown Ethan Foster and Samuel Sheffield, From Providence John T. Kenyon and Jonathan Chace, whose names being called they were all present, except one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was given,

The queries have been read in this meeting followed by answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th from our Monthly Meetings.

The committee appointed in the 5th mo last to examine and settle the treasurs account report, that they have attended to that service, that the accounts appear to have been correctly kept and a balance of $3.29 due the meeting, which is satisfactory

Jeremiah Foster Clk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pawtucket the 3rd of 2nd month 1876.

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings and the representatives therein named are, from Southerton Ethan Foster and Thomas Peny, From Providence John Tekenyon, Jeremiah Foster and Jonathan Chace who are present except one, for whose absence a sufficient reason was given.

Ethan Foster on behalf of the representatives reports that a part of them have been together and were united in proposing the name of Jeremiah Foster for clerk and William H Wood for assistant clerk for the year ensuing, or until others are appointed, which being separately considered was united with and they are accordingly appointed to those stations respectively.

The queries have been read in this meeting followed by answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th from our Monthly Meetings.

This Meeting unites with Providence Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Jeremiah Foster to the station of an Elder, having the unity of the Womens Meeting herein.

Jeremiah Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Hopkintown the 4th of 5th mo. 1876

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings and the representatives therein named are from South Kingstown Daniel Wilbur and Ethan Foster, from Providence Harvey Chace and Jeremiah Foster whose names being called they are all present, except one.

The queries have been read in this meeting with answers thereto from our Monthly Meetings, from these we have prepared the following summary, which is thought to be descriptive of our present state; and the Clerk is directed to forward it, with a copy of this minute to our Yearly Meeting to be held at Newport on Rhode Island in the 6th month next by our friends Charles Peary, Harvey Chace, Ethan Foster, George Foster, Jeremiah Foster, Jonathan Chace, and Samuel Sheffield whom we appoint representatives.

The clerk is directed to make all necessary extracts from the minutes of this meeting, sign them on its behalf and forward them to the Yearly Meeting by our representatives

Jeremiah Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pawtucket the 3d of 8th mo 1876.

Accounts are recieved from our Monthly Meeting by which the representatives are, from South Kingstown Ethan Foster, Charles Perry and Samuel Shuffield from Providence William F. Wood and Jeremiah Foster whose names being called, they are all present except one.

The queries have been read in this meeting followed by answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th from our Monthly Meetings.

Charles Perry on behalf of the representatives to the Yearly Meeting, reports that they all attended,

Jeremiah Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 2nd of 11th mo 1876.

Accounts from our Monthly Meetings are recieved, and the representatives therein named are, from South Kingstown Daniel Hoxsie and Charles Perry, from Providence, Jeremiah Foster & William F. Wood, whose names being called they are all present,

The queries have been read in this meeting followed by answers to the usual three from our Monthly Meetings,

Jeremiah Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pawtucket the 1st of 2nd mo 1877.

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings and the representatives are, from South Kingstown Charles Peery, George Foster and Thomas Peery, from Providence Jonathan Chace and William C. Wood who are all present,

The queries have been read in this meeting followed by answers to the 1st 2nd and 11th from our Monthly Meetings,

Jeremiah Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Kingstown the 3rd of 5th mo. 1877,

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings (and the representatives are, from South Kingstown Charles Peery, Ethan Foster and Samuel Hoxsie, from Providence Jonathan Chace, Jeremiah Foster and William H Wood, who are all present except one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned),

The queries have been read in this meeting with answers thereto from our Monthly Meetings from these we have compiled the following summary as describing our

present state, and the Clerk is directed to forward the same, together with a copy of this minute to our yearly Meeting to be held at Scituate on Rhode Island in the 6th mo next by our friends Charles Perry, George Foster, Jonathan Jones Jeremiah Foster Samuel Whitfield and Ethan Foster whom we appoint representatives,

The clerk is directed to make all necessary extracts from the minutes of this meeting, sign them on its behalf and forward to the yearly Meeting by our representatives,

Jeremiah Foster Clerk.

At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Smithfield the 2nd day of 8th mo 1877.

Records as received from our Monthly Meetings in, from Smithfield Charles Perry and Ethan Foster, from Providence Jeremiah Foster and Samuel Whitfield, from all present,

Ethan Foster in behalf of the committee reports that they have conferred together and were united in proposing the name of Jeremiah Foster for Clerk and William C. Foster assistant Clerk, which being taken into consideration was united with, and they are accordingly appointed

to those stations respectively, for the year ensuing,
or until others are appointed in their places.

The queries have been read in this meeting followed
by answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th from our Monthly Meetings

Charles Perry on behalf of the representatives
to the Yearly Meeting reports, that they attended,

Jeremiah Tosh

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held
held at Westerly, the 1st of the 11th mo 1877.

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings
[illegible] Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting,
namely, from South Kingstown, Samuel, Whitford
and George, Hasler; from Providence Jeremiah Tosh
and Jonathan Chace, who are all present,

The queries have been read in this meeting
followed by answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th from our
Monthly Meetings.

Jeremiah Tosh Clerk

[illegible] Monthly Meeting of
[illegible] held at Portsmouth the [illegible] 1775.

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meeting
and the representatives therein named are, from Smith
[illegible] Thomas
Arnold, from Providence Jonathan Chace and Jeremiah
Wester whose names being called they are all present
[illegible],

The queries have been read in this meeting [illegible]
[illegible] answered [illegible] Monthly
Meeting

[illegible]

[illegible] Monthly Meeting of Friends
held at Portsmouth the 2nd of 5th month 1775.

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meeting
and the representatives therein named are, from Smith
[illegible] Thomas Arnold, Stephen Wester, Ethan Foster and
[illegible] Foster, from Providence, Jonathan Chace
and Jeremiah Wester, whose names being called they are
all present, except one.

The parties have met and in this meeting, with
one mind from our several Feelings; from these we
have compiled the following Summary as evidence
of our present State and the Clerk is directed to
record it, with a copy of this minute to our gen-
eral Meeting to be held at Newport on Rhode Island in the
2d year next to our Joiners, Jeremiah Foster, Edward
Perry, Ethan Foster, Samuel Hopkins, Jr.
Foster, and Jonathan Chace, whom we appoint
our representatives.

The Clerk is directed to make all necessary
extracts from the records of this meeting, sign them
on its behalf and forward to the Yearly Meeting
our Representatives.

Jeremiah Foster, Clerk.

At Rhode Island Yearly Meeting held at Portsmouth the 1st of 8th Month

Accounts received from each of the
Meetings and the representatives therein named
viz. Ethan Foster and Thomas H.
Providence William H. Wood and Jeremiah Foster
whose names being called they are all present.

[illegible] on behalf of the Committee
[illegible], that they have engaged [illegible] and recommend
[illegible] the name of Jeremiah Foster for Clerk
[illegible] for assistant Clerk, their names being
[illegible] considered are united with the re-
[illegible] appointment to those stations respectively
for the year ensuing, or until another appointment
[illegible] The queries have been read in this meeting for
[illegible] by inquiry to the Best, Women and Men from our
[illegible] Meetings.

Jeremiah Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends
held at Westerly the 7th of 11th month 1878.

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings
[illegible] Women, Mary Vincent Wright and John
[illegible] Foster, from Providence Jonathan Chace and
Jeremiah Foster whose names being called they are all present
The queries have been had in this meeting [illegible]
[illegible] to the usual time for [illegible] Meetings

Jeremiah Foster Clerk.

At a Select Monthly Meeting held at Newtown the 2nd of 2nd month, 1879.

We have received accounts from our Monthly Meetings by which we are informed that the following named Friends have been appointed representatives from South Kingstown & Exeter to attend Yearly Meeting, viz: Samuel Hall, Jr., Peter C. Peary, Jeremiah Peckham & Isaac Wilcox being called, they are all present.

The queries have been read in this meeting with answers to be usual than from our Monthly Meetings

Jeremiah Peckham

At a Select Monthly Meeting held at Hopkinton the first of 5th month 1879.

We have received accounts from our Monthly Meetings by which we are informed that Friends named have been appointed representatives, from South Kingstown, Exeter, Newport, Portsmouth, Dartmouth & Westport, which appointments being called they are present.

The queries have been read in this meeting, [illegible] answers thereto from our Monthly Meetings from

[illegible]

[illegible] friends to serve as clerk and assistant clerk

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Received at this time the following communication from the representatives of the Yearly Meeting which was read to our satisfaction.

Charles Perry on behalf of the representatives to the Yearly Meeting [illegible]

[illegible]

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 6th of 11th mo 1879.

Accounts from our Monthly Meetings are received and the representatives therein named are, from South Kingstown Edth. Foster and Samuel Sheffield; from Providence Jonathan Chace and Jeremiah Foster, whose names being called they are all present.

The queries have been read in this meeting followed by answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th from our Monthly Meetings,

Jeremiah Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 6th of 11th mo 1879.

Accounts are received from our Monthly Meetings [illegible] and the representatives therein named are, from South Kingstown Edth. Foster, Samuel Sheffield; from Providence Jonathan Chace and Jeremiah Foster, whose names being called they are all present.

The queries have been read in this meeting followed by answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th from our Monthly Meetings,

Jeremiah Foster Clerk

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held at Newport on Rhode Island, by adjournments from the 15th of the 6th month to the 18th of the same inclusive 1857.

3d day of the week 17th of the mo

The committee appointed yesterday morning to examine and settle the Treasurers account, and to nominate a Treasurer; have produced the following report— Which is satisfactory, and Israel Buffington is accordingly appointed Treasurer for the ensueing year; and our Quarterly Meetings are requested to forward to him, their respective proportion of three hundred dollars, the sum named in the report, and the clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of this minute

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting's proportion, being forty per cent, is one hundred and twenty dollars

Extracted from the minute by

Peleg Mitchell

Clerk to the Meeting this year

R. I. Quarterly Meeting

England. Held on [illegible]
ments. From the 13th [illegible]
of the [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]
yesterday afte[illegible]
Treasurer's accounts [illegible]
this year. and Sir [illegible]
Chancellor Lowndes [illegible]
- which is a [illegible]
is accordingly a [illegible]
making for the [illegible]
Exactly. Meadings a [illegible]
this respect - [illegible]
Sum concluded [illegible]
Clerk is directed [illegible]

Of Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Ministers & Elders

Dear Friends. — The [illegible] have been read at this [illegible] to them. Our [illegible] to briefly describe our present state which we [illegible] to our Quarterly meeting of Ministers and Elders next to be held at Westerly by our friends Ethan Foster and Ann Peckham we appoint representatives to that meeting

Extracted from the minutes of Sandy Ridge Preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Hopkinton 21st of 4th mo. 1884

John H. Lee [illegible]

Ans. 1st Ministers are,
in their Circuit to attend all
meetings for Divine worship, bring-
ing their families with them. Also
to attend meetings for discipline,
Encouraging such of their families
to this duty as are suitable.

Ans. 2d Ministers in the
exercise of their gifts are
the Board to wait for Divine
direct and are not authorized.

Ans. 3d Purity and Consis-
tency of Ministers and Elders
are believed to be in a good degree
Circumscribed by the Rules of
Discipline, with the addition that
[illegible]

Ans. 4th We believe they
build their own houses, sell and
buy to bring up their families in the
manner which truth requires in
dress, in language, and in every
way; and that they are good
examples in those respects themselves.

Ans. 5th They are members
of families and in the Church
and we believe have a care to
maintain the discipline not to
screen their own families but
and to administer alike as
faithful servants.

Even if some wrong practices prevail, and some Friends do not see with others regarding matters of discipline or conformity with other yearly meetings. And when in process of time we or both parties are satisfied the separation was wrong, to publicly say so and condemn a wrong course helps much towards effecting a reunion desired. It is not natural to human nature to do this, yet a sacrifice of natural feeling is often promotive of our highest good and causes a flowing of the Spirit of God which pass all understanding.

We only desire and crave that nothing may take place beyond what Truth may require.

The low condition of our branch of the Christian Church and the smallness of our numbers would surely indicate the necessity of our becoming united that we might through Holy help strengthen the things that are ready to die, standing firmly for the law and the testimony.

We do not see that anything could be gained by our appointing another Committee, and it is our impression that it is for you to come to us individually, as you feel clear and best to do so, would tend more to harmony and unity of action, than any other mode of procedure, and we feel ready to say if you do this in the right Spirit gladly to welcome you back with us without holding against you the great mistake made in leaving us.

Almost a score present members were young at the time the painful separation took place and were not responsible for the position in which you now find yourselves placed, we feel the more deeply to sympathize with you and are persuaded that you are desirous of being led and guided by the unerring Spirit of Truth, in doing all necessary for you to take.

Second Month 4, 1885.

Letter to Ohio Conference of Friends at Salem dated 1st mo 27th 1885 in reply to the Meeting for Sufferings 2nd Month 4, 1885.

Copy of the communication received from the Annual Meeting of Men and Women Friends held at Newport, R. I. on the 16th and 17th days of 6th mo 1884.

It did not reach us until after the adjournment of our Yearly Meeting.

To the Yearly Meeting of Friends at Moriah, R.I.

The consideration of the subject of uniting the two meetings of the smaller body in N.E. Yearly Meeting having been deferred to this year, it has been weighed deliberately upon and it seems to be the sense of the meeting that it would be well to appoint a committee to confer with a committee from the other meeting - that body to be requested to appoint such a committee to meet with ours at a suitable time and place, and with hearts directed to the Fountain of best Wisdom endeavor to see whether such an important step would be effecting an inward as well as an outward union - and to that service we appoint the following Friends, viz.

James W. Oliver
John H. Foster
William B. Oliver
Levi Close
Eunice Paddock
Lydia Ann Gould

The Clerk is instructed to forward a copy of this minute to the above mentioned meeting, it having been duly approved of.

Extracted from the minutes by

W. T. Oliver

Clerk of the Annual Meeting of Men and Women Friends held at Newport R.I. on the 16 and 17 days of the 6th Month 1884.

From the Meeting for Sufferings for New England Yearly Meeting of Friends.

To James W. Oliver Eunice Paddock and others

Dear Friends,

The extract from the minutes of your Annual Meeting showing your action in the appointment of a committee to confer with a committee of our Yearly Meeting should we see fit to appoint one, to endeavor to effect a uniting of the two bodies of Friends, having been received after the adjournment of our meeting, was laid before our meeting for Sufferings. And after a time of solid consideration, and pretty full expression of sympathy with you and desire for the accomplishment of so desirable a result, we feel it right in view of the importance of true unity and fellowship one with another, to lay before you our feelings on this weighty subject. There is always something wrong when Friends of the same household of faith, advocating the same doctrines and testimonies become so much alienated one from the other, as to organize separate meetings.

Re sale of N. Bedford
Mtg. Rec. 6 mo. 14, 1892

Xerox copy in
Papers
Deeds - box 46, 31, FJ

Whereas; Job Eddy of New Bedford , State of Massachusets , made and executed a deed of trust to Francis Taber , Francis Taber Jr and George M. Eddy dated 8th. month 16th. 1847. recorded in ~~land~~ land records of Bristol county Massachusets , Southern district in book 14. pages 402 -403- 404 & 405 . conveying certain lands and a meeting house thereon standing ; in trust for New Beaford Monthly Meeting of Friends ; and as such deed provides for the contingency of the disuse of said property for the purposes designated , and the disposition of the same by the trustees ~~designated~~ aforesaid in said deed of trust , or by their successors ~~appointed~~ named in accordance with its provisions ; subject to the advise , assistance and direction of the Meeting for Sufferings of the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England ; and as the body of Friends now holding ~~its~~ Meeting for Sufferings at Westerly, Rhode Island , is that same society of Friends ~~designated~~ referred to in said deed of trust ; It is the conclusion of this Meeting , that as the contingency contemplated by the founder of this trust has arisen , and the New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends, designated in said deed of trust, has ceased to exist and has been merged by Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to which it was ~~a part~~ subordinate into Dartmouth Monthly Meeting , and said meeting house property is no longer used for the purpose originally ~~designated~~ designed ; that the Trustees of said property, who are now the regularly appointed successors of the original Trustees, shall be at liberty , and they are hereby advised and directed , to dispose of said meeting house property by sale ; and to apply the proceeds of such sale to the sole use and benefit of the religous society of Friends , according to the intent and purpose expressed by Jb Eddy in said deed of Trust .

Extracts from the minutes
of New England Yearly Meeting
of Friends held at Newport
in 1881 & 1882.

held in

From the Minutes of New England Yearly Meeting, 1881.

It appearing from the communications had by our friends from Kansas Charles W. Rider and Benjamin F. Dixon with some of those who withdrew from this meeting in 1863 that they or some of them desire to be reunited with us; — a concern seemed to prevail in the meeting that we should meet the opening in a spirit of Christian charity and condescension. Accordingly our friends Isaac P. Wilbur, John W. Foster, Ethan Foster and Francis Taber, together with such women friend as the womens meeting may appoint, if any, were appointed a committee on behalf of this meeting to confer with those friends as way may open for it and bestow such labor as in best wisdom they may be enabled to do in order for the restoration of true unity and harmony among all within our borders who are concerned to follow the same Shepherd and hear the same voice — and to report to this meeting next year

Report of the committee in the year 1882.

The Committee appointed last year to confer with those friends who left this meeting in 1863 made a verbal report that a way does not seem to be open at present to proceed therein — and requests to be discharged from further service. They are accordingly relieved from further care.

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M. M. held at Warwick 8 m 1864

Swansey M. M. 11 m 1863